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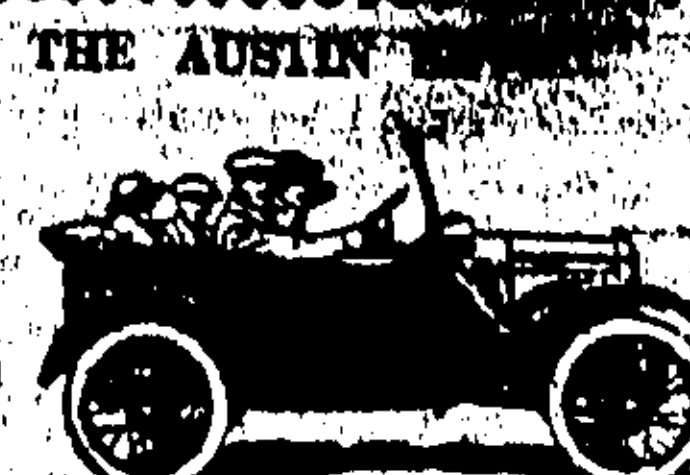
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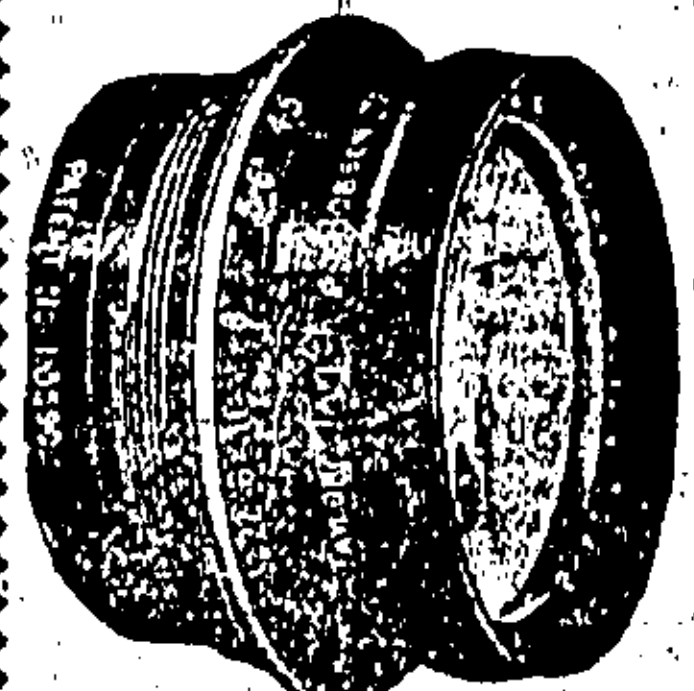
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NO PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT.

Coming on H.M.S. "Hawkins" in April.

Within a few weeks a member of the Royal family will step ashore at Hongkong, but it is doubtful whether during his short sojourn here many will see him to recognise him as such.

No news as to Prince George having left Home has yet been received in Hongkong but, if precedent is followed, he will have been sent by a P. & O. boat to the port where his ship is stationed (Singapore in this case), whereupon he will transfer in the ordinary way.

"It is not known when the 'Hawkins' will be back from Singapore," a "China Mail" reporter, who made enquiries from the Naval authorities, was informed, "but it is thought that it will be early in April."

Other enquiries elicited the information that the "Hawkins" will probably remain at Hongkong for only ten or eleven days. The wish of H.M. King George that his son should receive no preferential treatment during his service has already been recorded and the Prince, as heretofore, will carry out the ordinary duties of a Sub-Lieutenant.

Most of the officers are allowed shore leave whilst a warship is in port, particularly if tennis parties or other social activities have been arranged, so it is almost certain that Prince George will come into contact with some of the residents of the Colony—which, of course, is a matter of speculation. The result of enquiries in the proper quarters goes to show that there is little likelihood of anything special being arranged to mark the Prince's visit here.

It will be remembered that the first announcement of the Prince's approaching visit to the Far East was made at a luncheon given in his honour at the Mercers' Company. At the time he was undergoing a lieutenant's course at Portsmouth, and it was not known at the time whether the visit would be official or unofficial. It transpired, however, that it would be in the course of the Prince's naval duties and that he would be sent to H.M.S. "Hawkins" nominally for the usual period of two years. Should he receive promotion during that time, however, and there not be a vacancy in his ship, he would be appointed to some other vessel either in Home waters or abroad.

Prince George does not come without his mascot. On the occasion of the dinner at which the first announcement of his coming departure was made he was presented with a silver cup, an exact replica of one which was given to the Company in 1673 and was the first piece of plate they received after the Fire of London. This, said the Prince, he would take as his special harbinger of good luck during his foreign service.

It has been recorded of Prince George that as a middy he never by word, action or neglect of action of any kind, indicated that he regarded himself as any other than a middy to prove his worth for every step he might be advanced.

With Prince George on the sea,

WHAT HONGKONG MAY EXPECT TO SEE SHORTLY?



Photo by Central News.

This special photograph shows His Royal Highness Prince George inspecting the R.N.V.R. Guard of Honour on his arrival at Bristol, when he opened a Maritime Bazaar and Nautical Fair. Prince George is shortly coming to Hongkong for service with the China Squadron aboard H.M.S. "Hawkins."

the Duke of York on his way to Kenya, East Africa, and the Prince of Wales sailing for South Africa and the Argentine in March, three of the King's four sons will be out of the country during the early part of 1925.

Prince George is now just 22 and is described as a very nice boy, singularly like his brothers, and quite good-looking. He has had some slight initiation into public life already, and he speaks very clearly and with an excellently modulated voice. Like all the Royal Princes, he has no "side" whatever, and possesses juvenile enthusiasm.

GREAT MOTOR CAR CLUB OPENS TO-DAY.

See if Your Name Is In The List of Possible Winners.

The big day has arrived. To-day, Saturday, February 7, marks the beginning of a period of time—eight weeks—that will bring about a momentous change in the lives of numerous lucky persons in this community and cause them to look back in retrospect and reflect upon what a happy and auspicious day this was for them. To-day is the day of the opening of the China Mail and Sunday Herald's great Popularity Campaign that is to decide the ownership of the finest list of prizes ever given away in a non-gambling enterprise in Hongkong. As a measure of the value and attractiveness of these prizes it need only be repeated that the first two prizes are handsome and costly motor cars, the first prize of all being a magnificent \$3,150.00 Buick Touring Car, and the other prizes being valued in proportion.

Names Of Contestants.
The list of contestants in the China Mail and Sunday Herald Popularity Campaign is published to-day. Over 200 contestants have been nominated for the honour, with added "starters" yet to be qualified. The great majority of those nominated are

sponsored by friends which means that this contest is going to be a test of friendship as well as a matching of individual effort and popularity. With these friends at work the race is going to be both spirited and interesting.

One thing we wish to impress on the minds of those whose names have not yet been entered and do not appear in the published list to-day. That is this. The list is NOT closed. Names can be entered either by their owners or by friends at any time. The nomination process consists simply of sending in the nomination coupon printed in the announcement section in to-day's paper. The fact that over 200 contestants have already announced their intention to compete in this Popularity Contest, or have been nominated by their friends for that honour, should inspire all those who have been "holding back" for one reason or another to get their names in as quickly as possible. There are doubtless many who have been thinking of entering and wishing to know whether it would be all right to enter, and the fact that the list is now announced, should dispel all

ADVANCING.
FRESH MOVE BY PRO-SUN FORCES.
ENEMY STILL RETREATING.

LATEST REPORTS FROM THE FRONT.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, February 6.
After the first flush of success, the pro-Sun forces are resting pending the arrival of a bigger strength, this meaning the Yunnanese army, many detachments of which have embarked for the Front by junk.

The two armoured waggons which have been despatched to the front have rendered useful ser-

SUB-LETTING EVIL. PROFITTEERING BY PRINCIPAL TENANTS.

PROCEDURE IN OLD FLATS.

What a Fair Rents Board Could Do.

When discussion was rife last year as to the merits or otherwise of the Demolition Amendment to the Rents Ordinance, the "China Mail" drew attention to the evil of sub-letting which had grown out of protection accorded to tenants.

Now that the Rents Ordinance, as a whole, is the most interesting subject of discussion in the Colony, it is perhaps useful to make a few observations on the subject.

It would be idle to deny the truth of one of the landlords'

stays on, living in hopes. After a few years, one or more of his cubicles or bed-spaces become vacant. The new sub-tenant who succeeds to possession is asked to pay a higher rent than the predecessor. In course of time, the number of sub-tenancies reverting back to the principal tenant become considerable, all out of proportion to the number of "whole" tenancies reverting back, by voluntarily surrender, to landlords.

The question that then arises is that a principal tenant continues to enjoy protection whilst a part of his charge automatically falls outside the province of the law, leaving him free to demand whatever rent he wishes. It is only fair that the sub-tenant should share in his advantage, or that the benefit should revert to the landlord. Claims have been made that rentals for cubicles and bed-spaces in "old" flats can be arbitrarily fixed by a Fair Rents Board for sub-tenancies. This Board could act at once and the rentals thus determined could be painted on the walls like the notices relating to number of persons allowed to sleep on premises. A new sub-tenant could then know whether he was being exploited or not.

In Chinese tenements "furnished apartments" are almost unknown. For purposes of argument, they do not enter the realm of practical economics. Accordingly, it would be idle to accuse Chinese principal tenants (in the understood sense of the term) of farming out their holdings with furniture. Each Chinese family must, and will, have its own appurtenances even if such comprise only well-worn sleeping gear and insanitary cooking utensils. Gossip and the influence of the Chinese Press have combined to inform the man-in-the-street that he can seek redress should an unscrupulous principal tenant seek to oust him by imposing vexatious restrictions on his habitation, petty persecution or the placing of obstacles in the way of his securing comfort. This phase of exploitation, ripe a year or two ago, has greatly diminished.

Whilst it is fair for the landlords to maintain that principal tenants are reaping an illegal harvest from the bone of high rents, it is only reasonable that both principal and sub-tenants should be protected from the avaricious owner of "new" tenements who, because of being outside the scope of the Rents Ordinance, can charge what they will and extort excessive rent from hapless house-hunters.

At a meeting of directors of the Tenants' Protective Association it was resolved—

1.—That an extraordinary meeting of the committee be held to-morrow night at 7.30 o'clock to discuss the Rents Ordinance.
2.—To draw up a petition to the Government for the continuation of the Ordinance.

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(Reuter's Service.)

PEKING, February 6.

A Peking University Medical College bulletin states that Dr. Sun Yat-sen is gradually growing weaker. His temperature this morning went from 100 to 102, while his pulse registered 120. The radium treatment is being used as a palliative.

doubts as to the advisability of such a course.

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The report of the Directors, to be presented at the sixth ordinary yearly meeting of the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., to be held at the Company's registered office, No. 10, Des Voeux Road, on Saturday, February 11, states:

The Directors have pleasure in submitting the Profit and Loss Account for the year ending December 31, 1924, together with the balance sheet at that date.

Accounts.—The profit for the year including \$138,113.56 brought forward from last year and after paying all expenses and charges amount to \$924,281.06. From this amount an interim dividend of \$3.00 per share on 50,000 shares (150,000) has already been paid leaving a balance of \$774,281.06 available for appropriation, which the Directors propose to deal with as follows:

To pay a final dividend of \$3.00 per share on 50,000 shares (150,000)\$150,000.00
To pay a bonus of 2.00 per share on 50,000 shares (150,000)100,000.00
To transfer to Reserve Fund325,000.00
To pay a bonus to Directors, holders of founders' shares and the staff72,880.58
To write off organization expenses for Kowloon Branch3,329.21
To carry forward123,080.27
\$774,281.06Directors.—The Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-sun has been elected Chairman for the year 1925.
Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth, and Plumington, who retire, but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

FLYING CORPS.

LECTURE TO CHILDREN.

Yesterday evening, an hour was set apart for children at the Helena May Institute, and during that time Squadron Leader C. F. Gordon, O.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., gave an extremely interesting lecture to them on "The Flying Corps." During his informal and happily framed chat to the young people he succeeded in sustaining their interest throughout as he graphically described to them the general details and mysteries appertaining to aviation in its many branches.

Dealing with the growth of airships, the lecturer referred to their enormous dimensions, and speaking of two large airships that were now in course of construction in Britain, for the purpose of carrying passengers to India and Australia, he mentioned the great possibilities of speed in travel in this connection in the future. The time would come when they would be able to go home from Hongkong in about a quarter of the time in which they now go by boat.

Squadron Leader Gordon happily concluded his talk by demonstrating to the youngsters how simple it was to construct toy aeroplanes out of paper and the fun they could obtain with them. He spent some time in cutting out these miniature planes, with which the children immediately proceeded to amuse themselves.

A BIG TOY.

CHINESE YOUTH'S MOTOR CYCLE.

FLAUNTING THE LAW.

A Chinese youth named Chung Yee-fung was charged before Mr. N. L. Smith at the Central Magistracy this morning with driving a motor cycle without a permit.

The Captain Superintendent of Police, who prosecuted, pressed for exemplary punishment as the accused thought little of breaking the regulations. He had a number of previous convictions, which culminated in a child being knocked down at Fraya East on January 12. In the last case he failed to stop or to report the accident, and was fined \$50. The licence was taken away from him, but when detected by Sergeant Nicoll he was again driving a motor cycle with a permit belonging to another.

Mr. D. McCallum, who defended, pleaded for leniency on behalf of his client, who was quite young, and came of comparatively wealthy parents. The accused was inclined to treat the motor cycle, which was a powerful Harley-Davidson, more or less as a toy, and his parents were more to blame.

His Worship, in imposing a fine of \$100, directed Mr. McCallum to point out to the accused the seriousness of his actions and not to continue to flaunt the authorities.

LOCAL BANKNOTES.

HOW MUCH HAVE YOU GOT?

Returns of the Average Amount of Bank Notes in Circulation and of Specie in Reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended Jan. 31, 1925, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks:

Banks	Average Amount in Circulation	Specie in Reserve
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China	\$12,304,000	\$5,000,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	47,645,483	29,000,000
Mercantile Bank of India, Limited	1,207,104	550,000
Total	\$62,247,248	\$35,550,000

Sterling Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at £1,064,500.
Securities with the Crown Agents and Straits Government £3,091,000.
Securities with the Crown Agents £130,000.

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5% Treasury Bonds repayable @ 100 in 1930	£120,000	103-104

WATER SUPPLY.

CONSUMPTION IN JANUARY.

The monthly water return gives the storage in the reservoirs supplying the city as 1,332 million gallons on February 1, against 1,591 million on the same date, last year. The month's consumption was 262 million gallons against 263 million during January, 1924.

At Kowloon the storage in 236 million gallons against 282 million on February 1 last year and the consumption 64 million gallons against 65 million in January, 1924.

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AU REVOIR.

The following left for home leave by the "s. 'Morea' this morning—Messrs. G. P. de Martin, Education Department, Mr. W. McKay, Harbour Office, and Mr. F. C. Neville of the P.W.D.

There was a large gathering at Murray Pier for the purpose of saying farewell to Major-General Fowler, who also left the Colony by the same boat.

At Union Church, Kennedy Road to-morrow the collections will be in aid of the British and Foreign Bible Society, and the preacher in the morning will be the Rev. Dr. Pearce O.B.E. who has been for many years honorary secretary of the Local Auxiliary.

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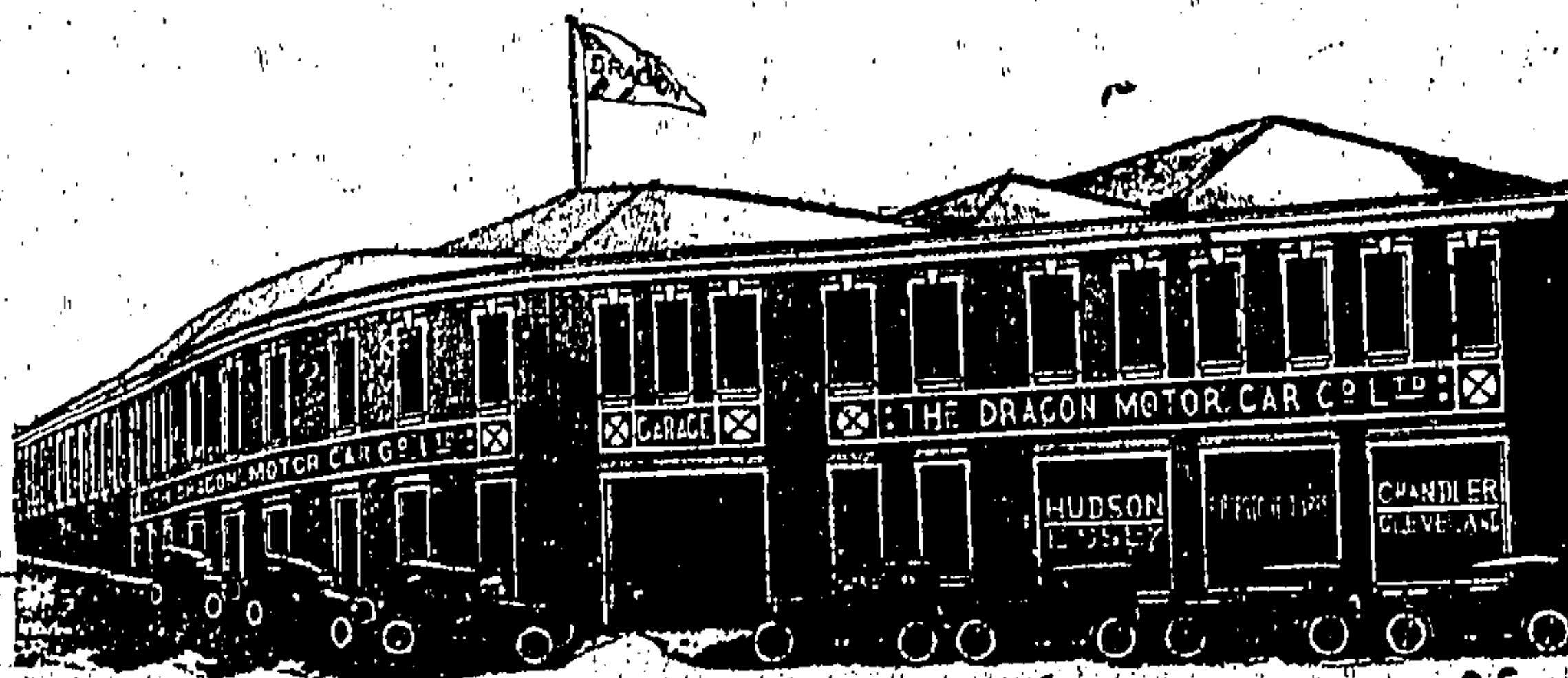
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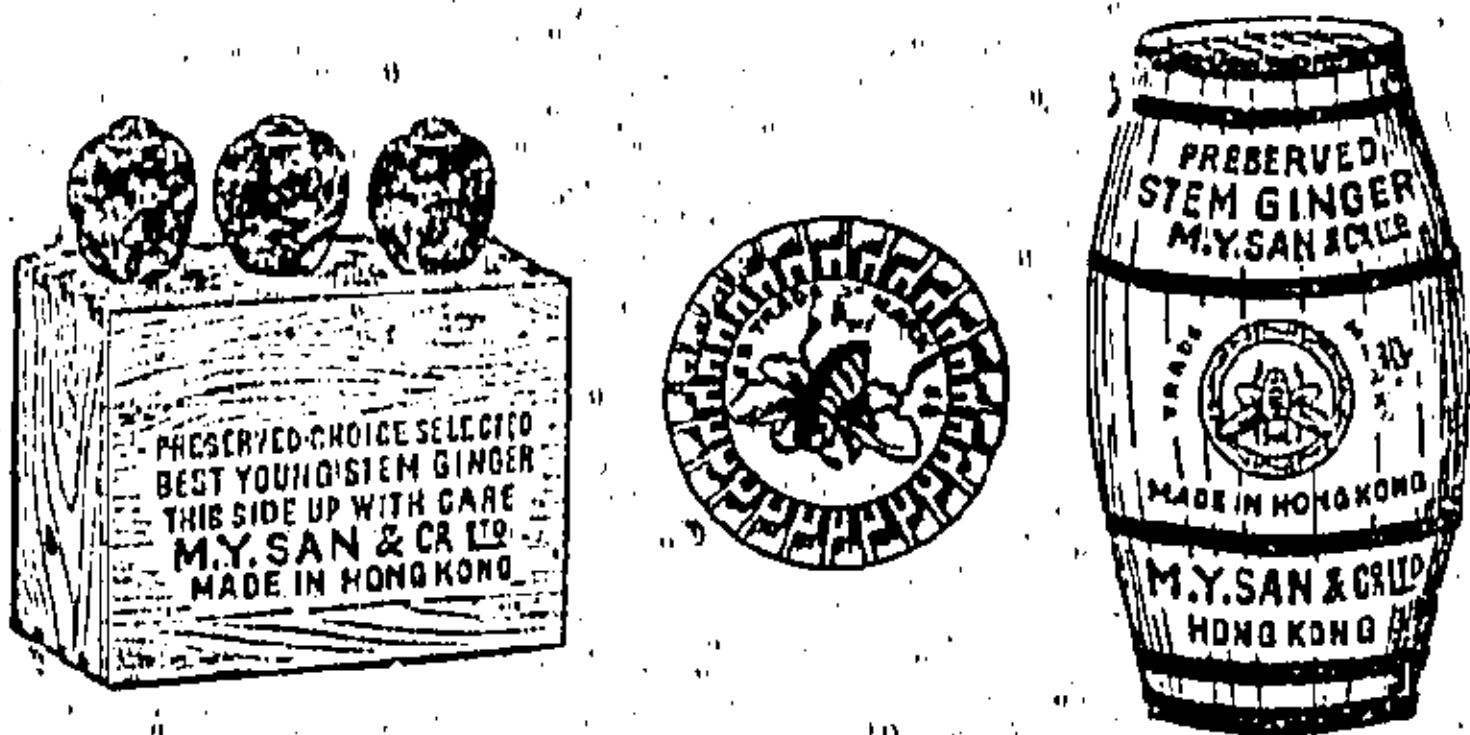


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CHARMING SOUVENIR.

Photo by Mee Fong.

This beautiful study of Mrs. Beale as "Saint Joan," taken by Matzene, will be on sale at the gala performance on Monday next, February 9, thanks to the generosity of Matzene. The photographs will be autographed.

COMING TO HONGKONG.

Here is one of the latest photographs of Prince George who is coming to Hongkong for service with the China Squadron as a naval officer aboard H.M.S. "Hawkins."

HONGKONG SCOUT LEADER LEAVES.

The Scout movement in Hongkong will lose one of its most indefatigable workers by the departure from the Colony of Mr. C. Champkin, manager of the Hongkong branch of the P. & O. Bank, who has been transferred to Shanghai. Mr. Champkin has been Acting Commissioner in the absence of the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave.

PRETTY CHINESE WEDDING.

Photo by Mee Fong.

A pretty Chinese wedding was celebrated in the Rhenish Mission Church when Mr. Chan Tsow-lam, of the "China News," a Hongkong vernacular paper, was married to Miss Shuen Tung-sang.

ARRIVING AT HONGKONG ON WEDNESDAY.

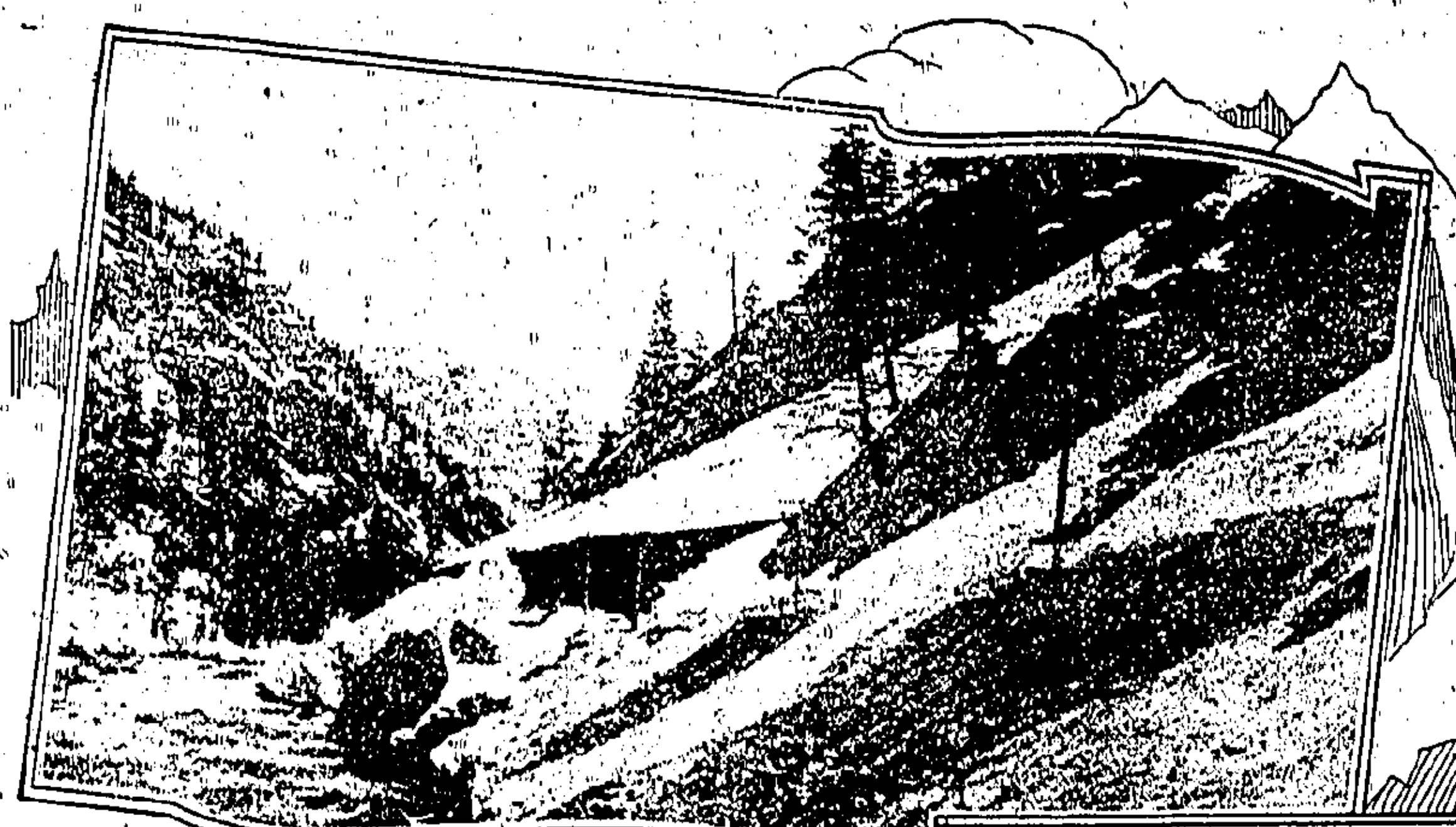
Here is another engaging study of Sir Harry Lauder, who arrives at Hongkong on Wednesday for a brief season at the Theatre Royal.

HARBOUR OFFICER WEDDED.

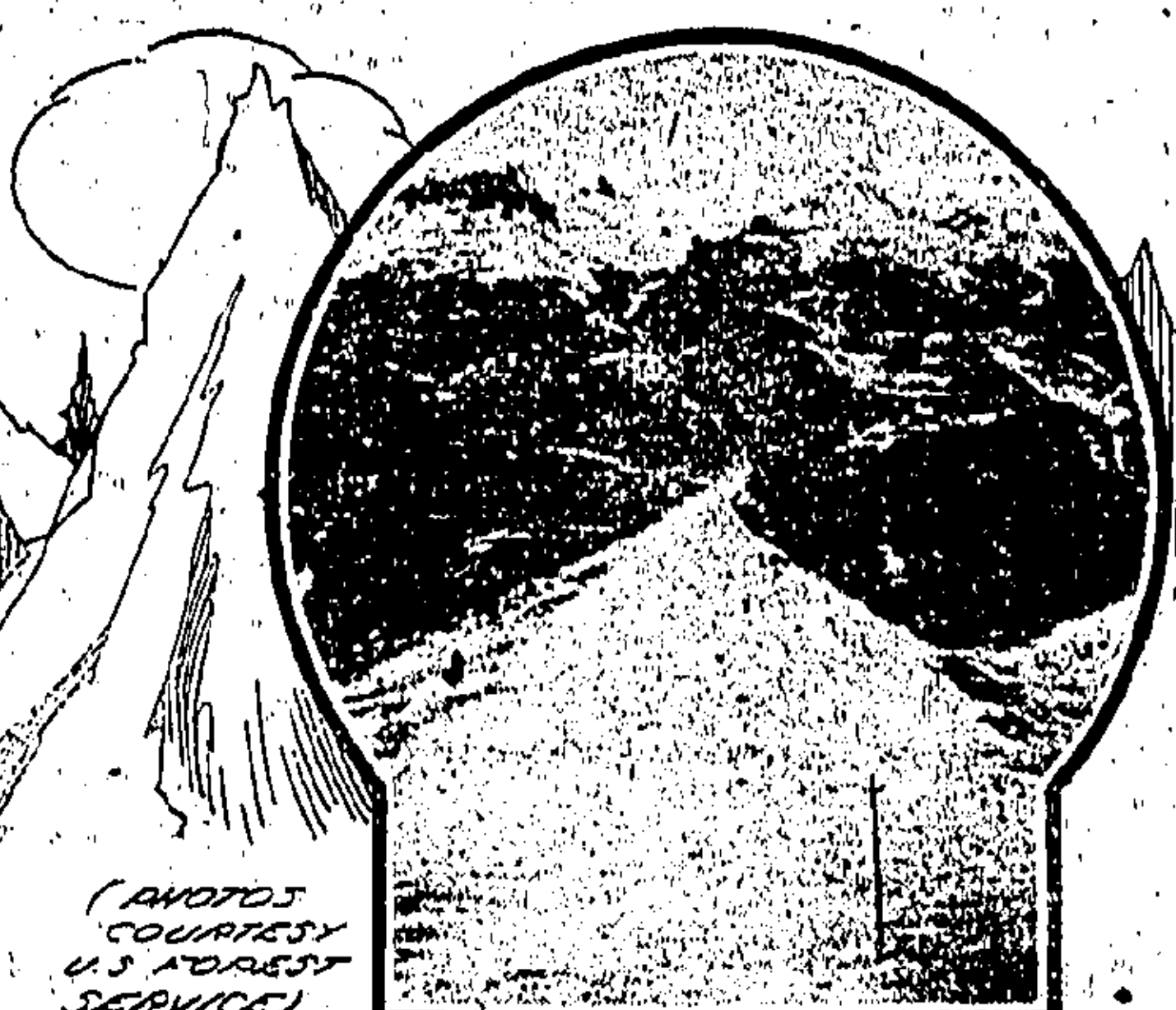
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Violet in colour scheme were as many as possible of the settings at the wedding of Mr. W. R. Hillier, Boarding Officer, Harbour Office, and Miss Violet B. Taylor. They are seen with Mrs. G. F. Taylor and Mr. Taylor (the bride's stepfather), Rev. H. Copley Moyle, also Mr. M. D. Coupland (best man), Miss Gladys L. Woolley (flower girl) and Master Brian Hynes (page boy).

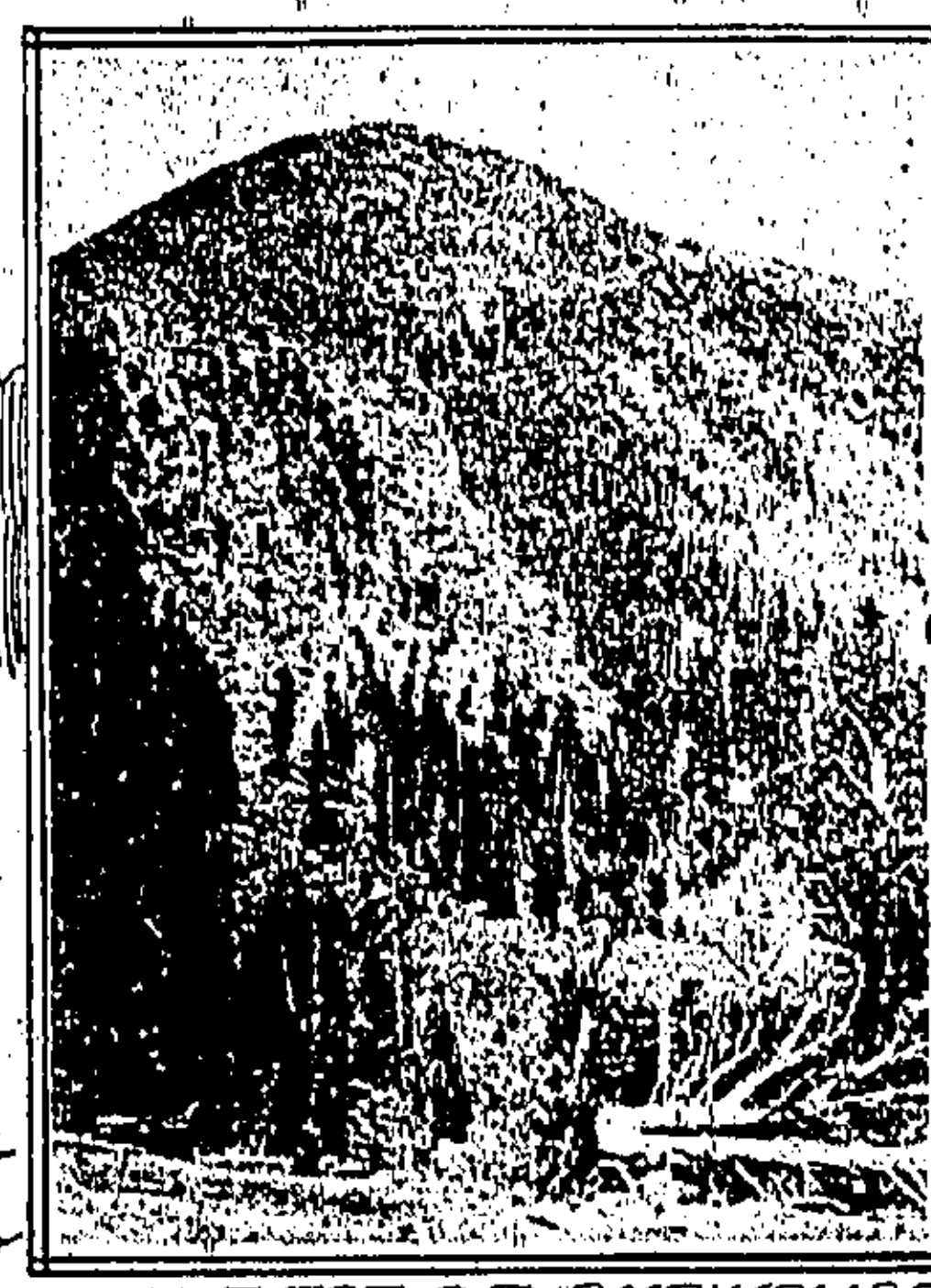
THE TERROR of the SNOWSLIDE



SNOWSLIDE ON GREAT MOUNTAIN. HEAVY SLIDES HAVE OCCURRED ON EITHER SIDE OF THIS SHED AS WELL AS OVER IT.



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THIS SLIDE, WHICH OCCURRED ON SLOPE OF MT. GARFIELD, KILLED ONE MAN. - HILL KILLED ONE MAN. - HILL KILLED ONE MAN.

Mighty Avalanches of Western Mountains Leave Trails of Damage and Loss of Life—Tree Planting As Means of Prevention.

(By MALCOLM MACDONALD.)

There is a thrill in the snowslide that makes vivid appeal to the imagination of young and old alike. What boy has not dreamed of the terrible avalanches of the Swiss Alps—those mighty outbursts of nature which carry all before them in their downward rush? Who among us, in years of maturity, has failed to be impressed with the relentless force of the snowslides which occasionally find their way into the news columns of the daily press? The snowslide is a lesson in the action of natural laws. In its awe-inspiring travels it leaves a record of damage with far-reaching consequences. Tourists in the Alps or in our own Rockies find the marks of slides which occurred in past generations. The memory of the avalanche itself has been obliterated by the passing of the older inhabitants, but the scars remain as an indelible reminder of calamity. There are stretches of the western mountains which have had, and still have, a generous share of the disaster of the snows. Between Montana and Washington there are countless miles of the avalanches of the past. Scattered and scattered mountain slopes tell the story with impressive eloquence. Slides Follow Slides. It is characteristic of the snowslide that one such happening invites another. Lightning may not strike twice in the same place, but the avalanche has a habit of following the trail blazed by a predecessor or perhaps the trail of a devastating forest fire. This is due to the destruction, by slide or flames, of the natural protection afforded by the trees.

The forest is a natural antagonist of the avalanche. As long as trees are present in dense arrangement, their trunks serve as anchors for the surface covering of snow. Forgive me the trees in the shingle roof. Whether living or dead, the forest growth provides stability. Removal of the trees is akin to the removal of the nails in the shingles. Under such circumstances an avalanche is easily started in motion, and once started it knows no stop till it reaches the bottom of the slope. How Slides Are Started. The beginning of a snowslide is extremely simple. Rain is a fruitless cause. A snow-covered slope, subjected to a soaking rain, has all the makings of a first-class snowslide. Not only does the rain increase the weight of the snow, but it also makes it more apt to slip down hill. In this respect the water serves to lubricate the surface of the snow. Lacking the protective "nails" afforded by the trees, the snow is then prepared for its downward rush. At a time like this a slight impetus is all that is needed. The impelling force may come from the vibration of a passing train on a nearby railway. Even the shock caused by a gunshot has been known to start the snow movement that results in an avalanche. The trend of an animal or a human being may dislodge a small stone, or a falling limb from a dying tree may loosen a lump of snow; either of these things is sufficient to start a slide. From this trivial beginning the avalanche gains size and impetus as it moves down the side of the mountain. Within amazingly short time the force has become tremendous.



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The destructiveness of this great, swift-moving mass is the secret of the tendency of snowslides to follow one another. This is especially true in the narrow canyons. The original slide carries with it everything that might prove an obstacle to future movements. Trees, boulders and kindred anchors are no longer present. Observers find that the first avalanche converts the canyon into a greased channel for others. On the more gradual slopes the avalanche is less disastrous, because it is less concentrated, but even here the damage may be of devastating character. The denuded mountain-side which has suffered a heavy avalanche covering a wide area is a common landmark in some sections of the northwest.

Forest Fires Cause Slides. The influence of forest fires in causing snowslides is widespread. By destroying the trees and undergrowth the flames leave the slopes and canyon ready prey to the disaster of the avalanche. As long as the dead trees remain standing they offer some resistance to movements of the snow. After years of gradual decay, the charred trunks topple and fall. Thereafter the trees not only lose their power to retard the snowslide, but actually join

hands with the moving mass in the work of destruction. Tangled logs intermingled with the snow itself constitute one of the most damaging factors in the movement of an avalanche. An illustration of this combined mass of snow and trees was afforded by the experience of a mountain railroad a few months ago, following a heavy slide. The tracks of the road were buried under fifty feet of debris. Snow ploughs made no impression on the tremendous mass. To free the tracks, the railroad engineers required the use of dynamite in liberal quantities. After the spring thaws it was discovered that the volume of logs carried down with the snow amounted to thousands of car loads. It is only within recent years that serious attention has been paid to the actual prevention of snowslides in the mountains of the western states. Heretofore the efforts were confined to protection. The transcontinental railroads

developed highly perfected systems of snowsheds. In this undertaking it became the custom to place a sturdy shed at the point most likely to be attacked by a downpouring of surface snow. Effective Snowsheds. With the canyon slides this form of protection was comparatively effective. The well defined grooves in which the avalanches repeated themselves made it possible for the engineer to locate sheds at strategic points. From a practical viewpoint the shed is an artificial tunnel, intended for the double purpose of protecting the tracks and causing the sliding snow to pass over the railway without piling up. The construction of such sheds has been a heavy item of expense in railroad operation. With the snowslide of the broader slopes the shed is less efficient. Lacking the prescribed grooves of the canyon slide, this type of avalanche is apt to

break out anywhere. The location of this year's slide is no index to the place at which the next outburst will occur. For this reason snowshed protection is a difficult matter. To attempt to cover the tracks at every point of danger would involve prohibitive expense. In recent years the study of avalanches has taken the form of preventive measures. The railroads have relaxed none of their efforts at protection, but have added to these the attempt to make future slides impossible. Realization of this ideal is undertaken by a process of reforestation. Planting Trees A Safeguard. The propagation of trees for snow protection is less simple than that of mere reproduction of the forests. After logging operations or a serious fire the one object, ordinarily, is restoration of the trees over the entire area. In the case of the snowslide special considerations must be given weight. One of the particular problems is that of seeing that the tree growth starts at the top of the area included in the grove. Trees lower down will have little effect after a slide once starts. The first attention, therefore, is given to the tree growth at the higher elevation. This means that the planting at the top must have time to develop sturdy resistance before the lower planting is undertaken. The progress of the planting down the slope then follows by degrees, with intervals of ten or a dozen years between "layers," until the entire slope has been covered. To bring this about in a most effective manner is often a large and tedious process. The channel of the slides may be a mile or more in length and the growth must be sufficient in each zone to hold the snow in place and keep it from sliding to the next step before the latter is planted. Not all of the peril of the snowslide is experienced by the railroad companies. Passengers on the transcontinental trains have experienced long delays and inconvenience as a result of

the burial of the tracks in exposed places. One slide of comparatively recent date closed traffic for a full week on one of the important lines connecting the Pacific slope with the eastern part of the United States. The local population also suffers from the calamity of the avalanche, which may manifest itself in places previously considered immune from troubles of this nature. Houses are sometimes destroyed and serious damage sustained by local enterprises. Loss of life is not infrequently a part of the toll exacted by the slides. Death In The Avalanche. Government mail carriers in the mountains often find themselves confronted with serious menace from avalanches. The records of the post-office department bear witness to more than one tragedy in which the carrier has been the victim. The men of the postal service covering the mountain region find their winters a constant battle with the elements. During much of the year snowsheds are the sole means of locomotion. Mounted on this type of equipment the carrier makes his way through the mountains with a fifty pound load of mail, regardless of the state of the weather. The trip is one of constant danger. Recent years have seen a number of carriers caught and killed in avalanches. Once engulfed, the human being has no chance of escape. Last year the body of one of the carriers was found where he had fallen, six months after the slide which caused his death.

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If you were a pretty and neglected young wife what would you do if a middle-aged and designing widow took advantage of your husband's interest in his work to try to win him from you? This is the problem that forms the basis for a delightful comedy, in "Sauce for the Goose," the new Select Pictures in which Lewis J. Selznick presents Constance Talmadge which will be shown at the World Theatre. Constance Talmadge is a comedienne who knows the value of a sure light touch in spontaneous fun-making, and she more than fulfills the hopes and expectations of her many admirers by her delightful interpretation of Kitty Constable in this play. The story is from the successful play by Geraldine Bonner and Huthcheson Boyd, adapted by Julia Crawford Ivers. Briefly it relates how John Constable, a young writer, is working hard on his book, "Woman's Struggles." Mrs. Alloway, a widow, takes an interest in his work and Kitty, the young wife, remarks that the widow is struggling to land John. When Mrs. Alloway goes too far in her designs, Kitty conceals a clever retaliatory plan of her own, covers the widow with confusion and wins her husband back in a hurry. The theme of the neglected wife and the "other woman" is old, but the handling of it in this picture is new. Dorothy Farnum, who numbers among her screen adaptations "Beau-Brummel," "Babbie," and "Lover's Lane," did the scenario of "Being Respectable," the screen translation of Grace Flandrau's best seller now playing at the World Theatre to packed houses. Monte Blue and Marie Prevost are almost a pair of screen inseparables. "Being Respectable," their latest co-starring vehicle, is

"BEING RESPECTABLE."

"Being Respectable," the photoplay attraction at the World Theatre, takes quite a sting at some of our pet beliefs. Grace Flandrau wrote the story which was published in novel form some months ago and is now enjoying quite a vogue in the bookshops. Warner Bros. made the picture, with Phil Rosen directing. The story told is that of a lot of people of average social standing who tried to work out their destinies on the theory that they didn't care what people thought of them and were in no sense bound by the so-called "conventions." The unhappy tangle that resulted is the "red meat" of the narrative and drama. Monte Blue, Marie Prevost, Irene Rich, Louise Fazenda and Theodore Von Eltz are some of the well-known players who appear in the interpreting cast. Mr. Blue is a young chap who is forced into a marriage with a girl he hadn't the slightest thought of marrying through the machinations of a designing parent of the girl. His subsequent "unconventional" conduct leads him right up to the point of eloping with another woman and leaving his wife (and baby "flat on the lot." He finds it cannot be done. The appearance of Louise Fazenda in a serious role in the picture is worthy of comment. Miss Fazenda is widely known as a screen comedienne—in fact, she has never before played a screen part in which her business has not been to make people laugh. In "Being Respectable" she is a sweet, quiet, unassuming young woman who seems to be getting a particularly bad deal in the matrimonial game. The manner in which she plays the part marks Miss Fazenda as one of the most capable and versatile players on the screen. means they form the only real motion picture team on the screen.

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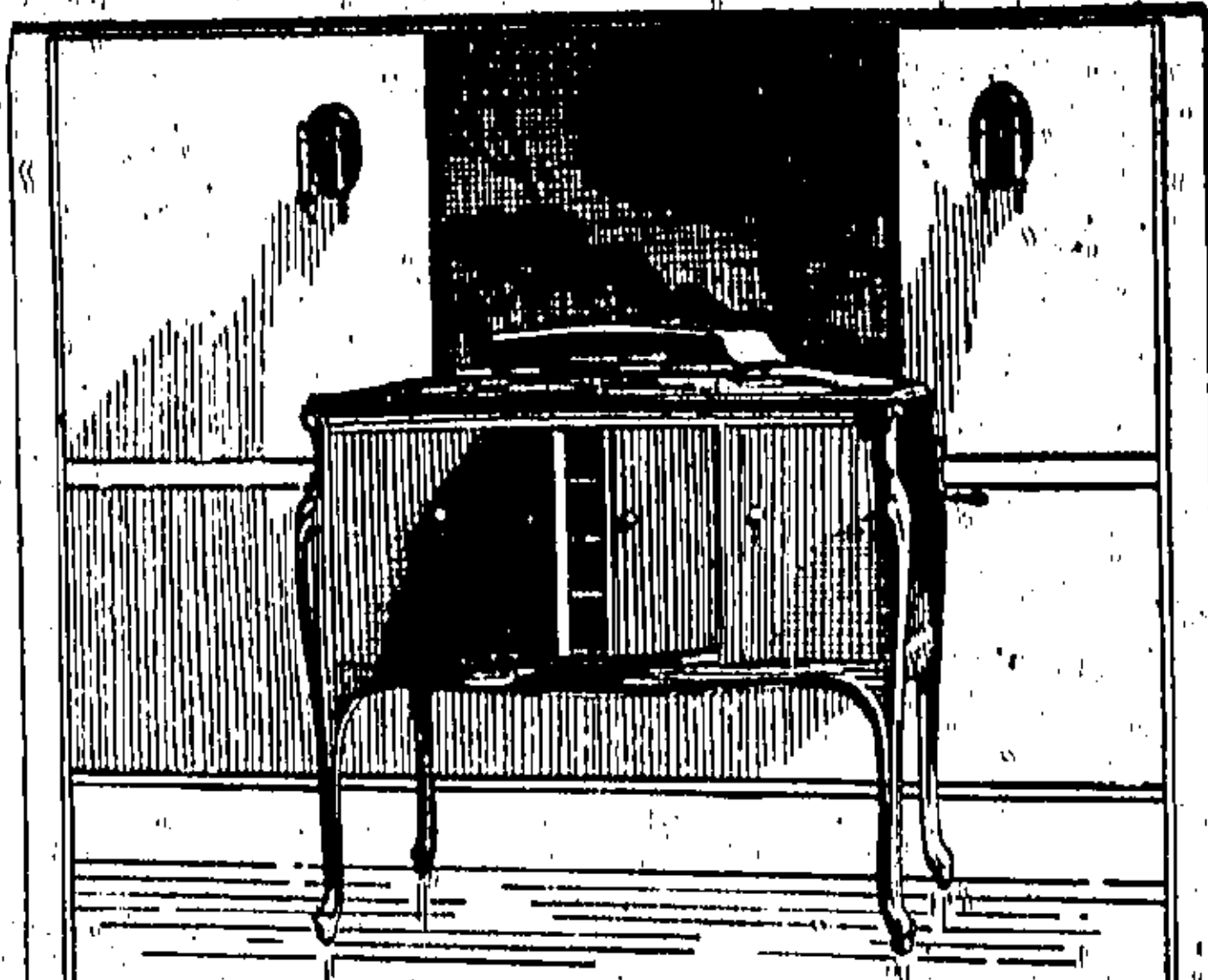
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BIRTH.

WEALL.—At Haytor, 301, The Peak, Hongkong, on February 7, to Mary, wife of T. G. Weall, a daughter.

DEATH.

PLUMMER.—Died in London, on February 6, John Isaac Plummer, M.A., late of the Royal Observatory, Kowloon, aged 80 years. (By Cable.)

Hongkong, Saturday, February 7, 1925.

BEHOLD—

Once upon a time—the phrase is used not so much because we have forgotten the exact date but more because we like its fairy story sound—once upon a time, then, there was a Hongkong governor who said that there was no such thing in the Colony as public opinion. That worthy man has since been gathered to his fathers—peace be to his stormy spirit!—but we wonder what he would say were he alive in Hongkong to-day, for not only is the present Government tacitly admitting the presence of public

opinion in the Colony, but (we are led to infer) it is actually consulting that public opinion—for all we know with every intention of abiding by the verdict—upon a local matter of the first importance. This matter is, of course, the Rents Ordinance, shall it be renewed or shall it be allowed to lapse? To-day it is not our purpose to examine again the many problems which beset that question. They are as thorny as they are manifold, and we would hesitate to lead our readers to the frontiers of a cloudless week-end—for which the weather man be thanked!—under such a bodiless banner. Rather would we have them drop the cares of the week with at least one pleasant thought in their minds. Therefore, to-day we shall refrain, as we have said, from debating once more the merits of the Rents Ordinance, with all the hopes and fears therein contained, and shall instead, so that our pen be equal to the theme, draw a moral for the future, a moral, which if it would have shocked the late Sir Henry May, cannot but intrigue the present generation. That moral is, of course, to be found, as already indicated, in the attitude of the Government towards the fate of the Rents Ordinance. Instead of settling the question for itself, with its usual decisive confidence, the Government is having the issue raised in the Legislative Council by means of an open resolution, and upon the result of the ensuing discussion, the final decision will presumably depend. There was never a matter, as we pointed out yesterday, upon which the Government could more wisely consult public opinion than the fate of the Rents Ordinance—unless, if the remark appear not churlish, the exception might be found in the Colony's obsolete health system—and although some people may feel disposed to say that the Government is simply evading its obligations by leaving the decision—and possible odium—to the unofficial members of the Legislative Council, we are hopeful enough to think, rather, that the Government is genuinely anxious to ascertain the attitude of public opinion upon this vital question and to act in accordance with that attitude—in short, that the Government's action is a bright, shining sign of the times.

Old Time Sailors.

The suggestion has been put forward that the introduction of rotors may lead to a revival of the old time sailing ship trade between the Far Eastern and other ports; but whether that is so or not, Hongkong will never cease to be interested in the exploits of these vessels in bygone days. It is doubtful whether their memory is retained anywhere with more affection than in this port, which has harboured some of the most famous. "More Survivors of a Glorious Era," a splendidly produced work printed in clear type and on art paper, continues the story commenced in "Survivors of a Glorious Era" of wind jammers that achieved fame which will considerably outlast even their own days, which in many cases were surprisingly long. There are something like thirty photographic reproductions of famous sailing ships with accompanying letterpress, the written pages giving their records in more detail. It will be a sad reflection for many that the ocean going sailing ship is passing so rapidly into history, but the inexorable march of progress, according to the brochure, is proving too much for these stately argosies. "Almost every week witnesses the disappearance from the register of one or other of the handful of representatives of the sailing ship era which have succeeded in prolonging their existence into the age of machinery and materialism. Since the time, twelve months ago, when we published a brief and necessarily incomplete record of the comparatively small number of deep water sailing vessels still existent many gaps have occurred in their ranks, and it was with feelings of regret that we recently looked through a long list of once noted sailors which are offered for sale and are, it is to be feared, for the most part destined for the ship breaker's yard." If anything can be calculated to inspire in those who may have the power, a desire to exercise it on behalf of these gallant vessels and to save them from the nautical knacker, it should be a booklet of this nature; and the Syren and Shipping, Ltd., of Leadenhall Street, London, are to be congratulated on producing this at the reasonable price of a shilling.

Canada Going Ahead.

According to a Reuter's message, published elsewhere in the "China Mail" to-day, reference was made in the Speech from the Throne at the reassembling of the Canadian Parliament, of the prospects of steady development, with which the year had opened, adding that the financial and trade situation justified the expectation of an early return to the gold basis. In mail week there had been received at the office of the High Commissioner in London an important summary of the trade of Canada for the twelve months ended September, 1924, and a comparison with the two previous years. It reveals a steady return to prosperity on the part of Dominion commerce—a marked increase in exports and a decrease in imports, the principal feature being an increase in exports last year of no less than \$75,100,519 over 1923 and of \$279,687,266 over 1922. The Empire remains easily Canada's next customer, exports to various countries under the British flag totalling \$469,458,567 as compared with \$448,078,578 in 1923 and \$362,260,932 in 1922. The United States came next. Imports last year totalled \$826,196,002, compared with \$902,993,825 for the year ended September, 1923—a decrease of \$76,797,823. Canada continues to receive by far the largest quantity of her imports from the United States, although those from the British Empire totalled \$101,611,556. It may be noted that grain and grain products are easily the greatest single item in Canada's export trade; but good returns are shown for metals, paper, and manufactured wood. As a link in the chain that welds the Empire together, British subjects in Hongkong will rejoice to learn of the era of prosperity foreshadowed for Canada in the Speech from the Throne.

SOLDIERS ACQUITTED.

Corporal H. J. Short, East Surrey Regiment, was acquitted yesterday by the Court Martial which tried him for drunkenness. A report of the proceeding appeared in yesterday's "China Mail." Private Noonan, of the same regiment, was also acquitted on charges of slackness on parade, throwing his coat at an N.C.O., and striking an N.C.O.

TROUBLESOME COUGHS.

A troublesome, sleep disturbing night cough can be easily and pleasantly stopped by taking Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. You will like the soothing, healing coating it puts on an inflamed, tickling throat and the promptness with which the troublesome cough is stopped. For sale everywhere.

CORRESPONDENCE.

RENEW THE RENTS ORDINANCE!

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir.—Mr. W. E. Gladstone stated that a fair proportion of a person's income to expend in house rent was ten per cent. Those were indeed the good old days.

In Hongkong, as much as forty per cent. is being paid, and this mostly by a voiceless section of the community; for all one knows, and it is quite probable, even more is being extorted. A lot of mention is made of unoccupied floors, in Kowloon and elsewhere, available for Europeans. Let those who are interested enquire about those floors. They will find that the majority are practically nothing more than a shell of four walls drilled into a number of so-called flats. No cupboards, sanitary arrangements, or anything that makes for the comfort of a home. And the rent? Nothing less than \$120 per month. There are others of a better type, I admit, but the rents of them are proportionally exorbitant.

It is most unfortunate that the members of the Legislative Council, who are to decide the fate of the Rents Ordinance, are of a class unaffected by the strain of having to obtain houses proportional to incomes; it is suspected that the Chinese members are even in sympathy with the house owners.

That the forthcoming decision of the Council is being awaited with the gravest apprehension by hundreds of hard pressed Europeans is no idle tale.

Yours etc.,
ONE OF THEM.

Hongkong, February 7.

Sir.—No law has yet pleased all. To give satisfaction to as many as possible is one aim. To be fair is another. So why not bring the Rents Ordinance up to date by making the necessary additions to it?

Briefly, the best way out would be to retain the Reconstruction Amendment. Give power to owners of property now under the Ordinance to increase their rents by 25 per cent. on July 1 and either 5 or 10 per cent. every succeeding year until legislation is no longer necessary. But bring in all the houses completed since the date the Ordinance started so that the ever-increasing number of unprotected tenants will get that much needed protection. Finally deal with sub-tenants in the same way as the now unprotected tenants.

There may be more houses in Hongkong now than four or five years ago but the population has increased in bigger ratio. And it exorbitant rents have to be paid for new houses they are of little more use to the public than if they had not been built.

The Rents Ordinance certainly needs continuation but better pens than mine will have to induce legal arguments. I am certain that unbiased people will endorse my statement.

Yours etc.,
C. L. H.

Hongkong, February 6.

EUROPEAN FAINTS.

ALARMING STREET MISHAP.

An alarming accident befell Mr. J. C. Fletcher, assistant master of Queen's College, when he dropped in a faint on the pavement outside Messrs. Wm. Powell, Ltd., in Pedder Street, this morning at 11 o'clock. Attracted by the commotion outside, a European assistant of this establishment looked out and saw Mr. Fletcher on the ground in the throes of a fit. Mr. Fletcher was immediately taken inside Messrs. Powell's establishment and remained there about half an hour, in the course of which Dr. J. Anderson, who had been summoned by telephone, brought him to consciousness. He was later taken in a taxi to the Hongkong Club.

It is believed that Mr. Fletcher is susceptible to violent fits, and that this is the second attack within a short period.

AVIATION FATALITY.

FUNERAL OF MR. EARNSHAW THIS MORNING.

Borne on a gun carriage pulled by eight European policemen and followed by Mr. Claud Earnshaw, his brother, and two particular friends of the deceased, the mortal remains of Mr. R. Earnshaw whose tragic fate a fortnight ago, as the result of a descent from an aeroplane, deeply afflicted the whole Colony, were borne from the Victoria mortuary this morning to their last resting place at the Happy Valley cemetery.

A military party from the barracks was in attendance, and a salute was fired over the grave.

LOCAL WEDDINGS.

ROGERS—PURDEN.

CEREMONY AT THE CATHEDRAL.

Although at the request of the parties it was observed as quietly as possible, the police were well represented at the wedding at St. John's Cathedral at 9.30 a.m. to-day of a popular member of the police force, Sergt. H. E. Rogers, of Tsim-sha-tui (Water Police) Station, to Miss Blenner Violet Mary Purden, daughter of Inspector and Mrs. A. F. Purden of the Central Police.

There was a double significance in the happy event for the young couple had so arranged it that they would be able to board the s.s. "Morea" later in the morning for the Homeward voyage. Sergt. Rogers being due for leave.

The bride was given away by her father and wore a becoming dress of white satin with panels of silver tissue lace, a veil of white silk net and coronet of orange blossom. Her bouquet was of white roses.

She was attended by her sister, Miss Nellie Purden, who wore a charming Victorian dress of mauve taffeta and hat of white georgette with mauve ribbons, and carried a basket of violets.

The bride's mother wore a dress of grey crepe de chine with black lace hat.

The Rev. R. H. Copley Moyle performed the ceremony. Sergt. L. Gargill was best man.

There was a short adjournment to the home of the bride's parents immediately after the wedding when friends were entertained, after which the happy couple left for the boat with the good wishes of a number who assembled to see them off. The bride travelled in a navy blue coat dress with French trimming and hat to match.

Among the many presents were a charming silver centre piece from Sergt. Rogers' colleagues at the Tsim-sha-tui police station and gifts from the staffs of the A. P. C. in which the bride had at one time been engaged.

Sergts. A. H. Mason, R. McEwan, J. Fraser, B. Thorpe and Mr. A. W. Hill were among those present.

The wedding cake was supplied by Café Wiseman.

DESAI-RUTTONJEE.

The wedding will take place at 5 o'clock this afternoon of Mr. Rustum E. Desai, manager of Messrs. Mody and Co., to Miss Tehmi Ruttonjee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ruttonjee.

The marriage ceremony will be performed under Zoroastrian rites at "Buxey Lodge," 37, Conduit Road, by Mr. R. A. Dastoor, assisted by Mr. Anklesheria.

Following the ceremony, a reception will be held at "Buxey Lodge" and a string band under the baton of Professor Gonzalez will be in attendance.

The honeymoon will be spent at Macao.

Apart from the fact that the bride's parents are well-known in the Colony, unusual interest is attached to this afternoon's nuptials, as it is said to be the first Parsee wedding to take place in China during nearly two centuries that the members of this community have been in the country.

\$30,000 DOPE HAUL.

SMART SEIZURE AT KOWLOON GODOWN.

ONE MAN ARRESTED.

Yesterday evening a party of officers of the Imports and Exports Department proceeded to the Kowloon Godown, in charge of European revenue officers, and seized a quantity of material believed to be morphine of the value of \$30,000.

Other cases opened at the godown contained gelatine. The dope, which was packed with the cargo, is thought to have been landed from a Continental steamer.

One man has been taken into custody.

MOTOR SMASH.

TAXI STRIKES LAMP POST IN NATHAN ROAD.

PASSENGERS IN HOSPITAL.

A serious motor smash occurred last night at Nathan Road, just outside the Central British School premises, at about 9.30 o'clock last night when taxicab No. 1962 crashed into a lamp post.

The driver of the taxi was conveying three of his lady friends from Homantin to the Star Ferry, and it is alleged that, in trying to overtake and pass two motor buses, he lost control of his machine and ran straight into the lamp post.

The three passengers in the taxicab were injured, and taken to hospital.

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T. S. Wan—20, Caine Road	5350
Miss Charlotte Bearwolf—Happy Valley	5250
Miss D. Wicheil—Cox's Path, Kowloon	5250
Miss Phyllis Curtis—54, Nathan Road, Kowloon	5250
Dr. John Fenton—Lugard Hall, Hongkong University	5250
C. Bond—Gande, Price & Co.	5250
Miss D. O'Keefe—Station Hotel, Kowloon	5250
Miss Mabel Gittins—Union Trading Co., Prince's Building	5200
Madame Flint—China Building, Queen's Road	5200
G. W. Avenell—Lane, Crawford	5200
Fred V. Wong—33, Nathan Road, Kowloon	5200
Miss Violet Tock—Goldard & Douglas, 4a, Des Vaux Rd.	5150
Mrs. Denoon—21, Broadwood Road	5150
Mrs. Elsie Danenberg—1, The Albany	5150
J. M. Jack—Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	5150
W. T. Glendinning—Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.	5150
Miss Alice Lee—37, Robinson Road	5100
Miss Sousa—Lyman Villa, Kowloon	5100
Mrs. C. Stranford—China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	5100
Prof. W. Brown—Hongkong University	5100
H. J. Fountain—Anderson Music Co., Queen's Building	5100
Miss M. Kent—Lane, Crawford, Ltd.	5050
Mrs. Fenton—92, Bonham Road	5050
Mrs. F. C. Clemo—China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	5050
G. Harper—Queen's Dispensary	5050
Basil Fung—4, West End Terrace	5050
E. Muttall—Europe-Asia Trading Co., Ltd., China Bldg.	5050
W. Carroll—Carroll Bros., Ice House Street	5050
Iu Tak Chung—Clark & Lu, Des Vaux Road	5000
J. T. Bridger—Commercial Union Ass. Co., Queen's Bldg.	5000
W. R. Buckenrough—C.P.R.	5000
W. A. Dowley—4a, Des Vaux Road	5000
Mrs. P. F. Mills—Butterfield & Swire	5000
C. H. Donithorne—China Light & Power Co., Kowloon	5000
S. E. Green—Lejack Co., Queen's Road Central	5000
J. A. Tarrant—A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.	5000
L. Col. Mathews—Golf Club	5000
B. L. Frost—Eastern Extension Telegraph	5000
J. Smith—Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	5000
Dr. J. C. Allan—Alexandra Building	5000
N. M. Currie—Davie Boag Co., Ltd., 4a, Des Vaux Road	5000
G. A. Harman—Ice House Street	5000
C. L. Farmer—Douglas S.S. Co.	5000
D. McWhirter—Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	5000
A. Andrews—Doddwell & Co., Ltd.	5000
Mrs. Vint—King's Building, Kowloon	5000
Cher. J. M. Alves—1a, Chater Road	5000
A. M. Thornhill—Soldiers' Club, Queen's Road East	5000
W. Logan—Ice House Street	5000
A. McKirdy—V.R.C.	5000
D. Trafford—Diocesan Boys' School, Bonham Road	5000
F. Mason—St. John's Cathedral	5000
S. P. Leigh—Harbour Office	5000
Chau Sui Ki—Chun On Wo Co., Queen's Road West	5000
Miss Phyllis D'Almada—Mody Road, Kowloon	5000
Prof. Anderson—Hongkong University	5000
Miss Kathleen Grose—55, Conduit Road	5000
W. Sousa—Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street	5000
Miss Alice Lau—Plans, Ltd., Asiatic Building	5000
A. A. Rumjahn—Lugard Hall, Hongkong University	5000
N. M. Bux—Victoria Printing Press, D'Aguilar Street	5000
Miss Molly Groundwater—Diocesan Girls' School, Kowloon	5000
W. Shea—Colonial Dispensary, Queen's Road Central	5000
Miss Gertrude Razalet—China Commercial Co.	5000
Mr. Richards—Sanitary Department	5000
Miss Ada Pepperell—Equitable Eastern Banking Corp.	5000
M. Manuk—Dairy Farm	5000
Miss Minnie Macgregor—Bank Line, Ltd., King's Building	5000
H. Taylor—Shewan, Tomes & Co., St. George's Bldg.	5000
Mrs. Paul Luing—Orient Buildings, Kowloon	5000
Miss M. Remedios—Alex Ross & Co., 4, Queen's Road C.	5000
Jackie Noronha—Lugard Hall, Hongkong University	5000
Miss Violet Chan—Government Civil Hospital	5000
H. L. Lyson—Lyson & Hall, Solicitors, Bank of China Bldg.	5000
Wong Kam Pak—1, Canton Road, Kowloon	5000
Ng Tse Kwong—C.R.C., Causeway Bay	5000
A. Bower—Diocesan Boys' School, Bonham Road	5000
J. F. Grose—J. F. Grose & Co., 6, Des Vaux Road	5000
Mrs. Mathews—2, Naval Terrace	5000
F. A. Loureiro—Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	5000
A. J. Lane—China Building	5000
G. V. Hughes—W. R. Loxley & Co.	5000
Dr. Ma Luk—58, Queen's Road Central	5000
Miss Razalet—Lane, Crawford	5000
P. O. Peuster—J. Manners Co., Ltd., 7, Queen's Road	5000
C. G. Harrison—S. Moutrie & Co., Ltd.	5000
H. L. Stainfield—Mustard & Co.	5000
E. T. H. Bunje—H. H. M. Nemazee	5000
Miss Chenalloy—Nestle Milk Co.	5000
J. O. Sheppard—Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	5000
C. M. Soares—Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming	5000
Mrs. Pestonji—8, Humphreys Building, Kowloon	5000
J. R. Suiter—The Pharmacy	5000
E. Ezra—D. Sassoon & Co., Ltd.	5000
E. H. R. Mitchell—Bradley & Co., Ltd.	5000
N. A. Tye—15, Pottinger Street	5000
F. Eca da Silva—D. Sassoon & Co., Ltd.	5000
S. M. Mayes—B.A.T.	5000
K. M. Fetterley—C.P.R.	5000
E. Sadick—Chater & Mody	5000
A. G. Sufial—B.A.T.	5000
C. Pryce—C.P.R.	5000
B. W. Tape—China Mutual Life Ins. Co., Alexandra Bldg.	5000
D. J. Purves—Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder St.	5000
W. K. Reynolds—City Hall	5000
Miss C. Botelho—Peninsula Store, Basement K'loon Store	5000
Prof. Gonzalez—5, Caine Road	5000
Miss E. Murray—Mac's Cafeteria	5000
W. Ward—Beaconsfield Arcade, Queen's Road	5000
Dick D'Almada—Bank Line, Ltd., King's Building	5000
E. Mattos—Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	5000
W. J. Wilkinson—H.K. Land Investment & Agency Co.	5000
H. Abbott—Anzac House, Kowloon	5000
L. Costa—Standard Oil Co. of N.Y., Union Buildings	5000
Capt. L. C. Bellamy—The H.K. Tramway, Ltd.	5000
Miss Hattie Noronha—Equitable Eastern Banking Corp.	5000
J. T. Thirlwell—Talook Docks	5000
Mr. Ponsonby Fane—c/o Hongkong University	5000
Miss L. Gill—Asiatic Petroleum Co., Asiatic Building	5000
Carlos Marques—Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., Ltd.	5000
Mrs. Bond—Butterfield & Swire, Shipping Department	5000
E. da Rocha—Shewan, Tomes & Co., St. George's Building	5000
R. Dreyer—Shewan, Tomes & Co., St. George's Building	5000
Mrs. G. R. Hayward—Pokfulam	5000
W. G. Goggin—Bank Line, Ltd., King's Building	5000
Fung Man Sul—Bank of Canton	5000
Mrs. A. H. Lay—Union Building	5000
J. L. Litton—Benjamin & Potts, 11, Queen's Road Central	5000
J. S. Guzdar—Lugard Hall, Hongkong University	5000
C. A. France—Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	5000

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M. P. Remedios—Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., Ltd.	5000
Li Cho Chi—Ho Hong Bank, Queen's Road Central	5000
L. G. Rozario—Pacific Mail S.S. Co., Queen's Building	5000
A. S. Cousland—Alex Ross & Co., 4, Queen's Road Central	5000
John Mackenzie—J. F. Grose & Co., 6, Des Vaux Road	5000
Miss M. Santos—Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.	5000
T. Jones—Lane, Crawford, Ltd.	5000
Miss Meadows—Public Works Department	5000
A. Cheung—Mercury Garage, Des Vaux Road	5000
Miss P. Ogilvie—Victoria House, Kowloon	5000
Harold Seth—Himly & Co., Des Vaux Road	5000
Madame Keiley—Kowloon Hotel	5000
T. Bennett—Kowloon Tong	5000
O. B. Raven—Architect, Raven & Basto, Des Vaux Road	5000
Miss V. Capell—Torres Building, Kowloon	5000
G. G. Anderson—Little Adams & Wood, Architects	5000
Miss D. Woods—Beaconsfield Arcade	5000
H. J. Silva—Doddwell & Co., Ltd.	5000
Mrs. S. Perry—No. 7, The Peak	5000
H. Piercy—Insurance Dept., Jardine, Matheson & Co.	5000
Mrs. S. Alderman—S. Moutrie & Co.	5000
G. E. Wetton—Skott & Co., Ice House Street	5000
Miss Marsh—Anderson Music Co., Ltd.	5000
Mrs. A. M. G. Stark—c/o Harry Wicking & Co.	5000
E. G. Stewart—St. Paul's College	5000
Dr. M. E. Asger—Union Building	5000
D. E. de Sousa—Doddwell & Co., Ltd., 2, Queen's Building	5000
Miss R. Mow Fung—Gilman & Co., Ltd.	5000
F. Thompson—H.K. Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	5000
C. Alves—Mercantile Bank Building, Queen's Road	5000
B. Randall—Benjamin & Potts, 11, Queen's Road Central	5000
Mrs. Pasco—Brewer & Co., Pedder Street	5000
C. Fulcher—Moxon & Taylor	5000
Mrs. Wheeler—c/o Thos. Cook & Son	5000
Miss Williams—c/o Thos. Cook & Son	5000
Mrs. Pryde—Government Quarters, Wong-nel-chong Rd.	5000
Seu Kon Chi—Bank of China Building	5000
Mrs. Dickie—Asiatic Petroleum Co., Asiatic Building	5000
A. L. Terry—China & Japan Telephone Co., Ltd.	5000
Mrs. Harris Walker—Basilea, Lytleton Road	5000
H. Lamb—T. Arthur, Ltd., Des Vaux Road	5000
Mrs. Normington—Whitefield, Causeway Bay	5000
W. Meek—Falconer & Co., Pedder Street	5000
Miss Choo—5, Broadway Road	5000
U. Rumjahn—Bank of China Building	5000
Mrs. W. Hawker—Peak Hotel	5000
W. J. Howard—Canadian Pacific S.S. Co.	5000
R. Farrant—China Underwriters	5000
Miss Carvalho—Doddwell & Co., Ltd., 2, Queen's Road	5000
V. E. Kerley—Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	5000
Miss Goodall—Wiseman Café	5000
J. Johnstone—Douglas S.S. Co., Ltd.	5000
G. Zimmern—Benjamin & Potts, 11, Queen's Road Central	5000
R. A. Cooper—N. Lazarus Opticians, 12, Queen's Road C.	5000
T. Williams—Thos. Cook & Son, Ltd.	5000
Miss Stubbing—Peak Hotel	5000
Geo. Edwards—United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	5000
A. Roberts—Victoria Printing Press, D'Aguilar Street	5000
E. Mow Fung—Der A. Wing, Des Vaux Road	5000
Mrs. Burford—1, Cox's Path, Kowloon	5000
Mrs. Davies—16, Wong-nel-chong Road	5000
Mrs. Hazeland—10, Queen's Gardens	5000
Mrs. A. J. Martin—Nathan House, Kowloon	5000
J. Smith—Kowloon Railway	5000
Miss C. Angus—Johnson Stokes & Master	5000
Mrs. H. M. Spit—Java Line	5000
E. Pepperell—W. G. Humphreys & Co.	5000
E. J. de Figueiredo—Hughes & Hough	5000
Mrs. Kitchell—34, Leighton Hill Road	5000
S. A. Lopes—Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.	5000
Miss Jennings—29a, Kennedy Road	5000
Mrs. Y. P. Law—18, Arbutnot Road	5000
Miss Manuk—King Edward Hotel	5000
Mrs. C. F. Roe—2, Observatory Villas, Kowloon	5000
Mrs. T. J. O'Sullivan—4, Railway Terrace, Kowloon	5000
Mrs. T. Shand—Shaunkwan Road	5000
Mrs. Branch—5, Beaconsfield Arcade	5000
W. Simmons—Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.	5000
Mrs. Pursons—2, Broadwood Terrace	5000
Mrs. Raiton—33, Humphreys Building, Kowloon	5000
Mrs. Purdon—84, Caine Road	5000
Miss G. Ramsay—3, Highburn Terrace, Kowloon Docks	5000
Mrs. G. Rapp—Humphreys Estate Co., Ltd.	5000
Miss Rodgers—"Lauriston," Ewen Road	5000
Mrs. Steel—Shewan, Tomes & Co.	5000
Mrs. Suffad—3, Moreton Terrace, Causeway Bay	5000
J. Havercamp—Transmarine Trading Co., York Building	5000
Mrs. Westlake—Volunteer Headquarters	5000
A. T. Stubbs—Gibb, Livingston & Co.	5000
Mrs. Bliss—Tantallon Terrace, Kowloon Docks	5000
Mrs. Bevan—Leighton Hill Road	5000
J. W. Faulkner—General Electric Co., Queen's Building	5000
D. Harvey—Asbestos Co., 2, Queen's Building	5000
Mrs. Barton—3, Pratt Building, Kowloon	5000
Lau Mok Lin—Hongkong Furniture Co., Queen's Road	5000
Miss Bain—Hongkong Hotel	5000
J. P. Bourne—Hongkong Hotel	5000
Mrs. Day—Hongkong University	5000
H. J. White—Hongkong Hotel	5000
E. H. O'Farrell—Wharf & Godown Co.	5000
F. G. Wheeler—Wharf & Godown Co.	5000
H. A. Rodgers—H.K. Land Investment Co.	5000
S. Gonella—Architect, 33, Queen's Road Central	5000
W. R. Wilkinson—Hongkong Land Investment Co.	5000
C. B. Riggs—Holt's Wharf, Kowloon	5000
J. Ormiston—Holyoak & Massey Co., Ltd.	5000
Miss Bliss—H.K. Canton & Macao Steamboat Co.	5000
Mrs. F. Duckworth—Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	5000
C. F. Vas—Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., Ltd.	5000
Mrs. L. de Rome—Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	5000
C. W. Somers—Eastern Extension Telegraph Co.	5000
Mrs. Bannerman—Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	5000
Mrs. V. Sorby—Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	5000
Mrs. S. Longfield—Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	5000
T. S. Evan—20, Caine Road	5000
Miss D. Lyon—Cox's Path, Kowloon	5000
Rev. Quick—St. Stephen's College	5000
Miss R. Shea—H.K. Canton & Macao Steamboat Co.	5000
Miss Lolita de Sousa—1, Aimal Villas, Kowloon	5000

DEATH OF A CONSUL.

DR. EDWIN REMY OF CANTON.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, February 6.
Dr. Edwin Remy, German Consul in Canton, passed away at the Canton Synatorium last night at the age of about 48.
Dr. Remy was a doctor of law and was highly respected in Canton.
Last Saturday he was taken ill and his case was diagnosed as acute appendicitis. An operation was performed, also a subsequent operation for peritonitis but he finally succumbed.

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SIR HARRY LAUDER'S BOOK.

Sir Harry Lauder has given denial to the rumour that he is coming here to gather further material for a book which he proposes to write on his life.
"The only bulk I shall write" he said, "is a cheque book, and I am too much of a Scot to be concerned with acquainting the people here with some of the new Scottish types they have not yet seen, and of singing a few songs which I am told on the authority of London critics, are as good as any I have ever sung."
Sir Harry's season commences next Tuesday at the Theatre Royal. Box plans for all performances are now on view at Moutrie's.

PIOUS HOPES.

OPIUM CONFERENCE CLOSES.

JAPAN DELEGATES TRIBUTES.

(Reuter's Service.)

GENEVA, February 6.
Several interesting speeches were made this morning upon the re-assembly of the joint committee of the first and second opium conferences, when the sub-committee returned its report showing failure to reach an agreement which would satisfy the American delegation.
Mr. Sugimura (Japan) alluding to the American proposals said: "We have avoided superficial and fallacious compromises and reserved our hopes for a future better understanding which may be fruitful and sincere."
Mr. Sugimura paid a tribute to Britain who was always faithful to her traditional policy of democracy and her realistic liberalism.
He also gratefully alluded to France and the Netherlands. He concluded by praising the ardent idealism of the United States and declaring that Japan would ever remain faithful to American principles.
Viscount Cecil declared: "We are bound by international principles and we are carrying them out." He appealed to the Chinese and other delegations to give an undertaking to stop over-production and emphasised the sincerity of British policy of terminating the opium evil.

AMERICA'S REASONS.

(Reuter's Service.)

GENEVA, February 6.
A memorandum stating the reasons for the American delegation's withdrawal from the opium conference declares that in spite of over two months' discussion and repeated adjournments, it now clearly appears that the purpose for which the conference was called cannot be accomplished.
There does not seem to be any likelihood in the present circumstances of the production of raw opium and coca leaves being restricted to the medicinal and scientific needs of the world.
The memorandum admits that an improvement on the Hague convention is noticeable regarding the manufacture of drugs and their control and transportation.
The memorandum adds that the withdrawal of the United States from the present conference does not mean it will cease its efforts through international co-operation to bring about the suppression of the illicit traffic in opium and other dangerous drugs.
Mr. Porter (America's chief delegate), in a personal letter, pays a tribute to the consideration and kindness of his colleagues at the conference and the courtesy of the officials.

PRESIDENT'S ORDERS.

(Reuter's American Service.)

WASHINGTON, February 6.
The withdrawal of the American delegation from the opium conference has been authorised by President Coolidge.

BACK TO GOLD.

THE WORLD AND ITS OLD LOVE.

LONDON'S FREE MARKET.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, February 6.
In a speech read at the annual meeting of Lloyd's Bank, in the Cannon Street Hotel, Mr. J. W. Beaumont Pease, the Chairman, referring to the gold standard, said the whole world, though guilty of infidelity in varying degrees and diverse places, and despite some coquettings in other directions, was returning to its old love.
"Gold is almost universally recognised as the only practical international measure of values and the only real problem for us is the precise date when we can safely re-establish the free market in gold."
Mr. Beaumont Pease said the factors responsible for the hesitancy with regard to the re-establishing of the free market in gold were mainly two. In view of our large adverse visible trade balance, was the present gold value of sterling due to exceptional passing causes, and if we returned to a free gold market could we maintain our holding in gold without harming our trade by an increase in money rates?
Regarding this, Mr. Beaumont Pease pointed out that the latest Board of Trade figures showed our invisible exports were more than offset by the visible adverse trade balance, and he hoped it would not be impossible to protect our stocks of gold without unduly raising rates to the extent that trade would seriously suffer.

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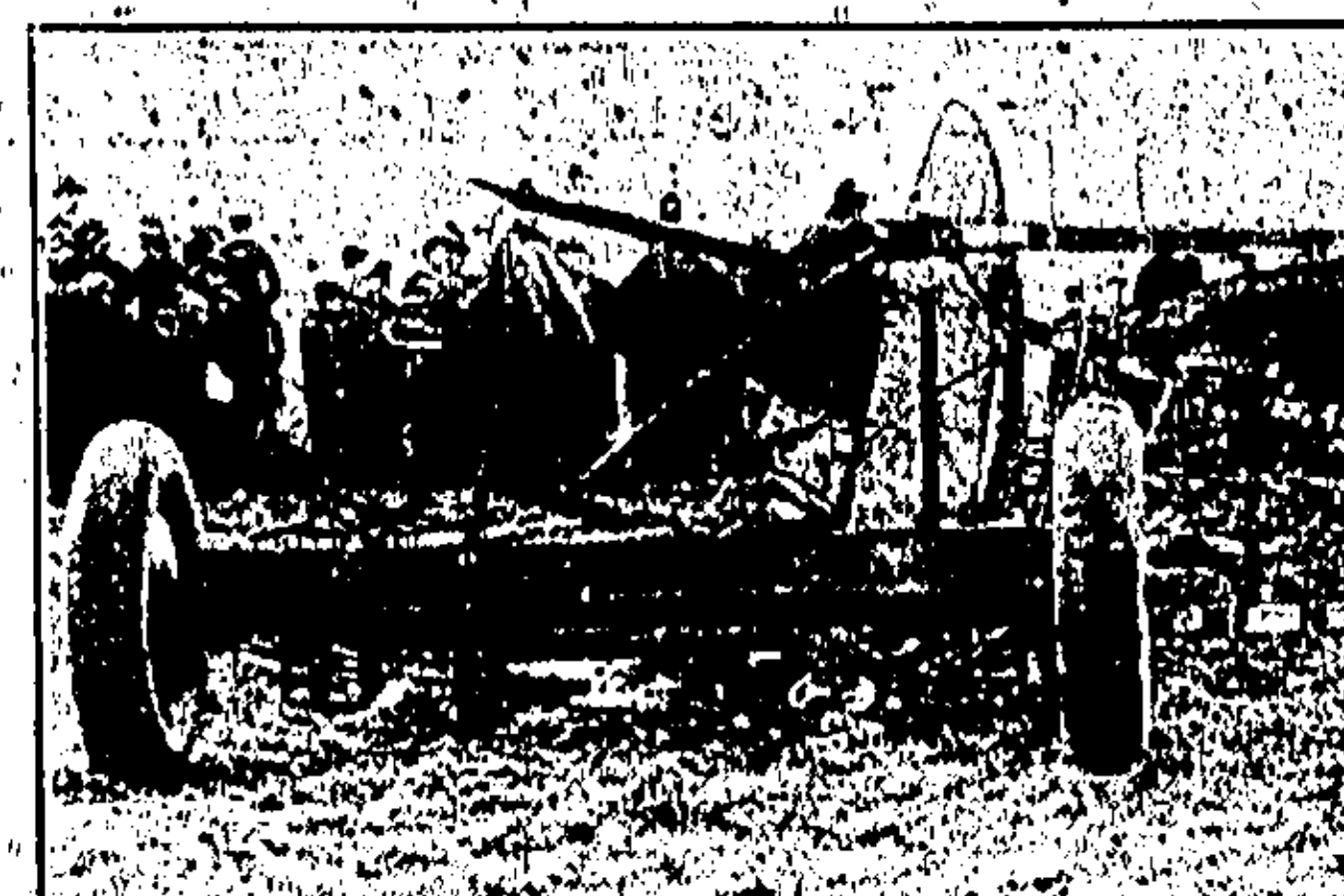


MISS POPPY BARING & PRINCE GEORGE.
Prince George, who is coming to Hongkong to serve with the China Squadron, was lately a guest of Sir Godfrey and Lady Baring, of Nubia House, Cowes.



COL. F. H. KISCH, C.B.E., D.S.O.
Colonel F. H. Kisch, C.B.E., D.S.O., Palestine Zionist executive, has started a campaign in the interests of the development of Palestine as a Jewish homeland. He is a noted warrior as well as a diplomat, his feats of valour during the War winning for him personal praise from King George.

TERRIBLE AEROPLANE CRASH.



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PRESIDENT ENJOYS WEEK-END CRUISE.



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America's President and Mrs. Coolidge are shown here as they boarded the Presidential yacht, "Mayflower," for a week-end cruise along the Potomac. Almost every week-end the President drops onerous official duties for a restful cruise.



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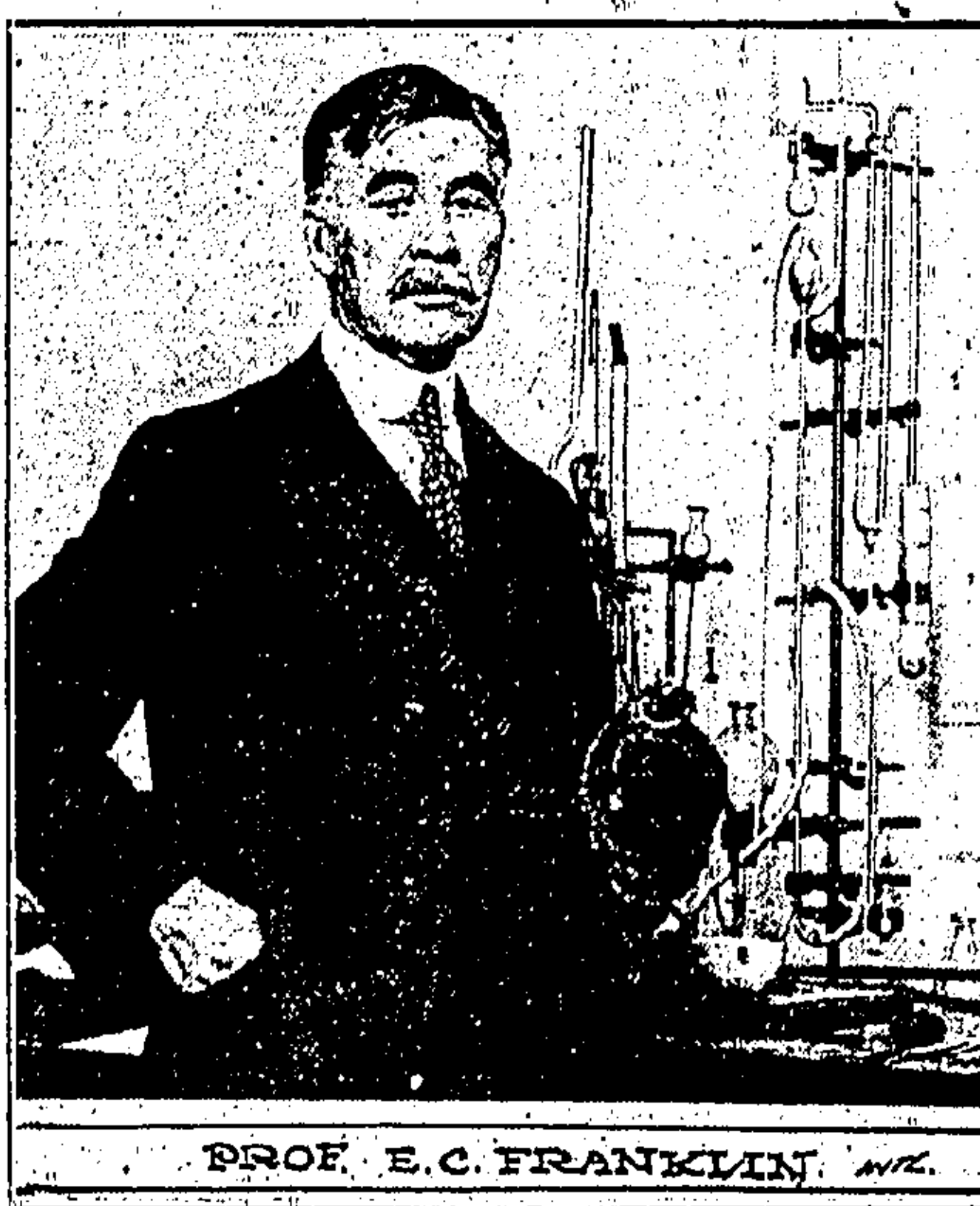
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Professor Howard Curtis Franklin has won world renown by his recent researches in ammonia chemistry, his work having been called the most notable contribution to chemistry in forty years. He has just completed the ammonia cycle, an achievement of vast significance to science. Going to Stanford in 1903, he is now dean of graduate study in chemistry.



MR. MYRON T. HERRICK.

France does not intend to repudiate any of her debts or contracts, M. Clemenceau, Finance Minister, declared after a storm of indignation had swept America because of his alleged statement that France regarded her war debt as political, not financial. Coincidentally, Premier Herriot assured the American Ambassador, Mr. Myron Herriek that France has never considered repudiating its debt to America and that "France's signature always will be considered sacred."

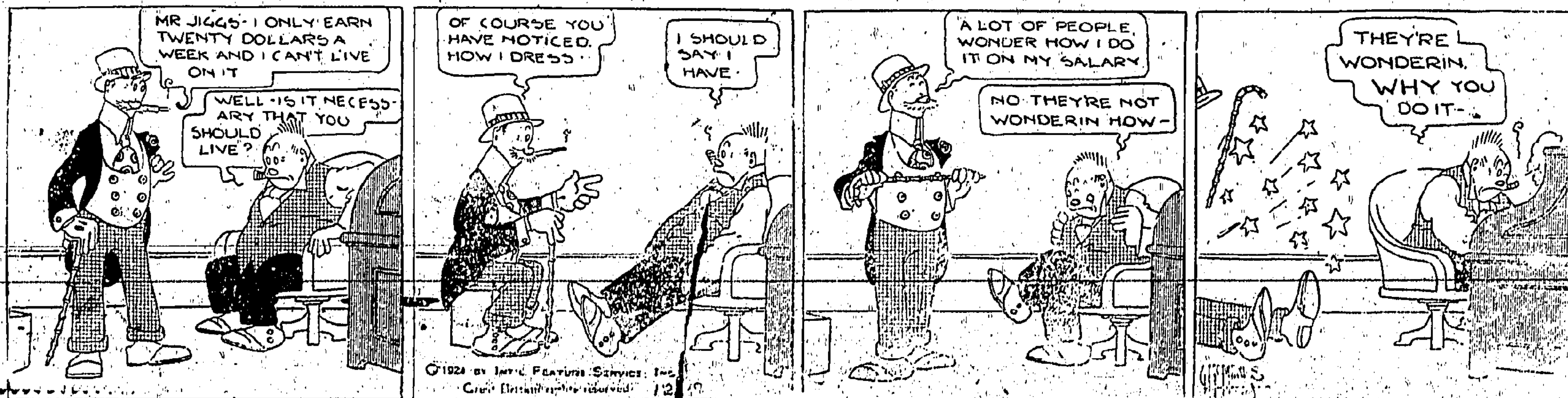
QUEEN OF THE LATIN QUARTER.



MME. JULIA SIMON.

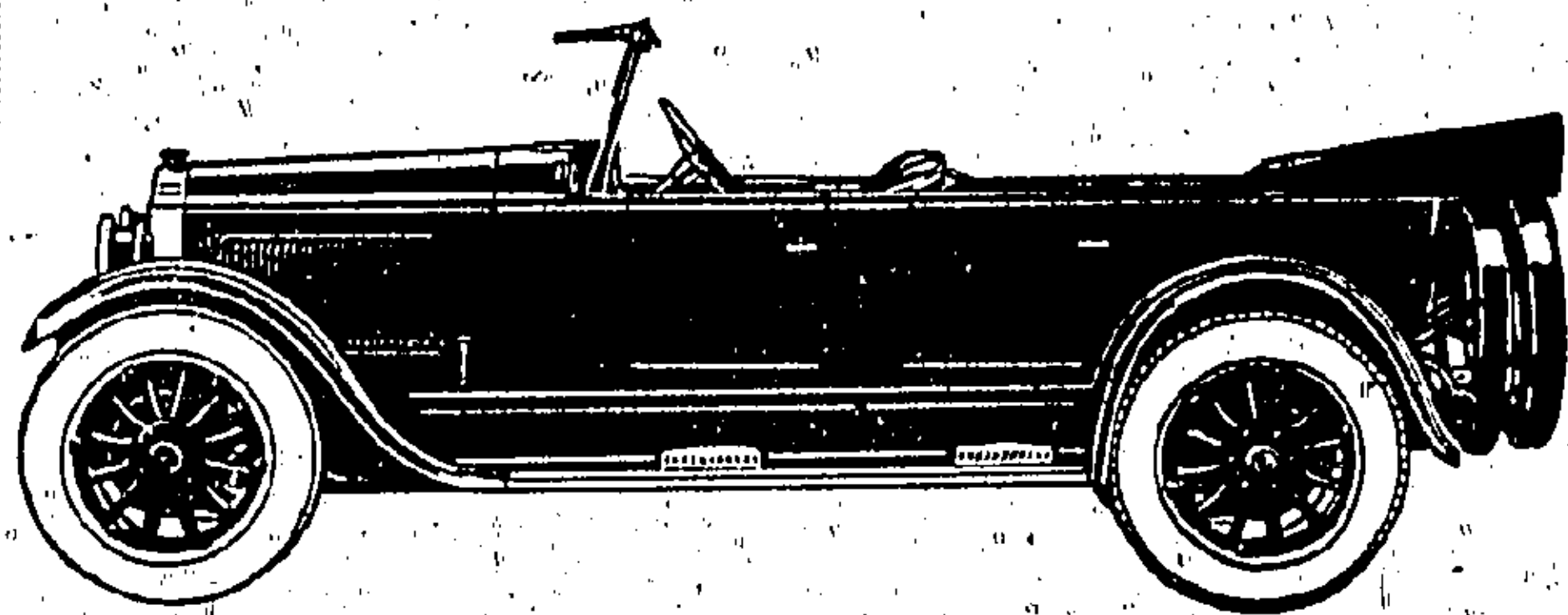
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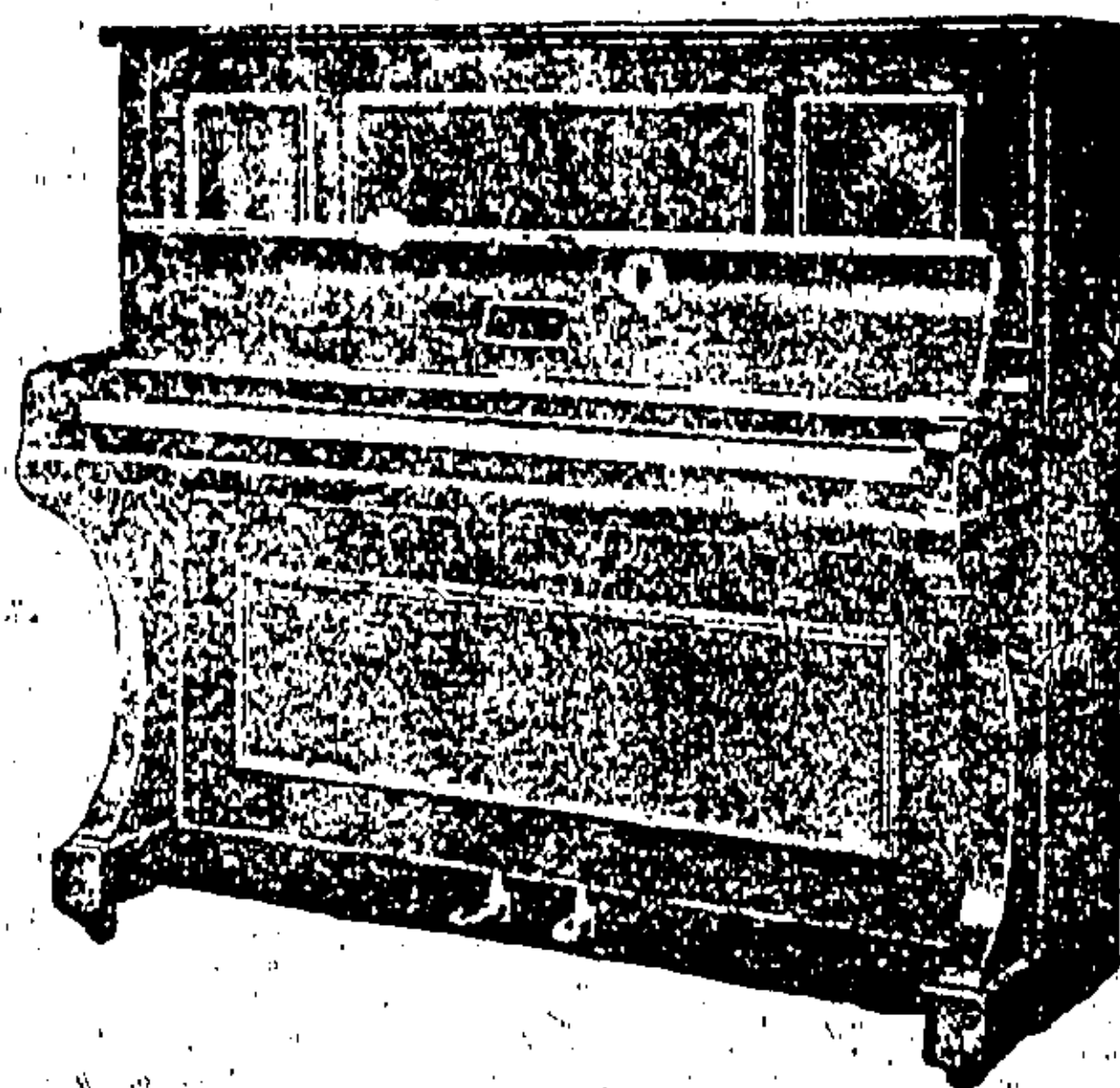


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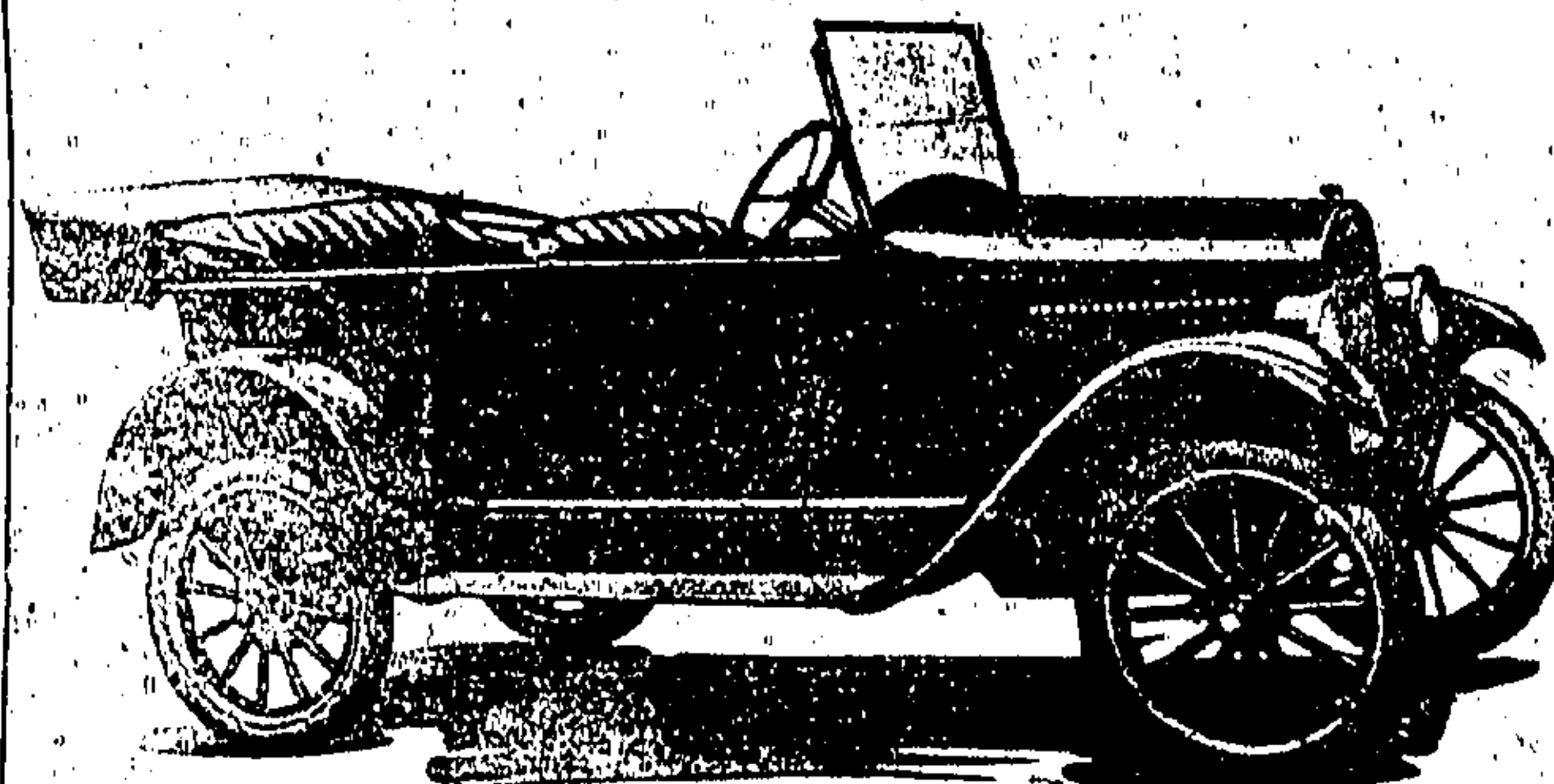
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Votes are given free and can be obtained by securing fully paid subscriptions to The China Mail or Sunday Herald.

Votes issued to one member cannot be transferred to another member.

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It makes no difference where a Contestant lives or where subscriptions are secured. It does not cost one cent to enter the race and win a prize. A member does not even need to be a subscriber to the paper.

All that is necessary to win one of the beautiful prizes is a desire for the prize, and the honour of winning it, and a willingness to devote a little time to calling on your friends and getting them to help you.

At the close of the Campaign the votes will be counted by judges appointed by the members themselves. Each member is required to select some prominent person to act as a judge. The judges so appointed will take charge of the ballot box and carry it to a public place where the votes will be counted and the prizes awarded in full view of the public.

With a little effort and a few minutes' work each day one of these beautiful prizes may be yours. Take advantage of every special credit offer. Watch the stories that are published each day, as they will take up many interesting points regarding the Campaign.

Any questions or controversies that may arise are to be settled by the Campaign Manager and his decision shall be final and conclusive.

In accepting entry, members agree to abide by the conditions named. The Campaign Manager reserves the right to make any changes in the conditions necessary in the interests of the campaign and contestants other than to reduce the number of prizes and the manner in which they are to be given.

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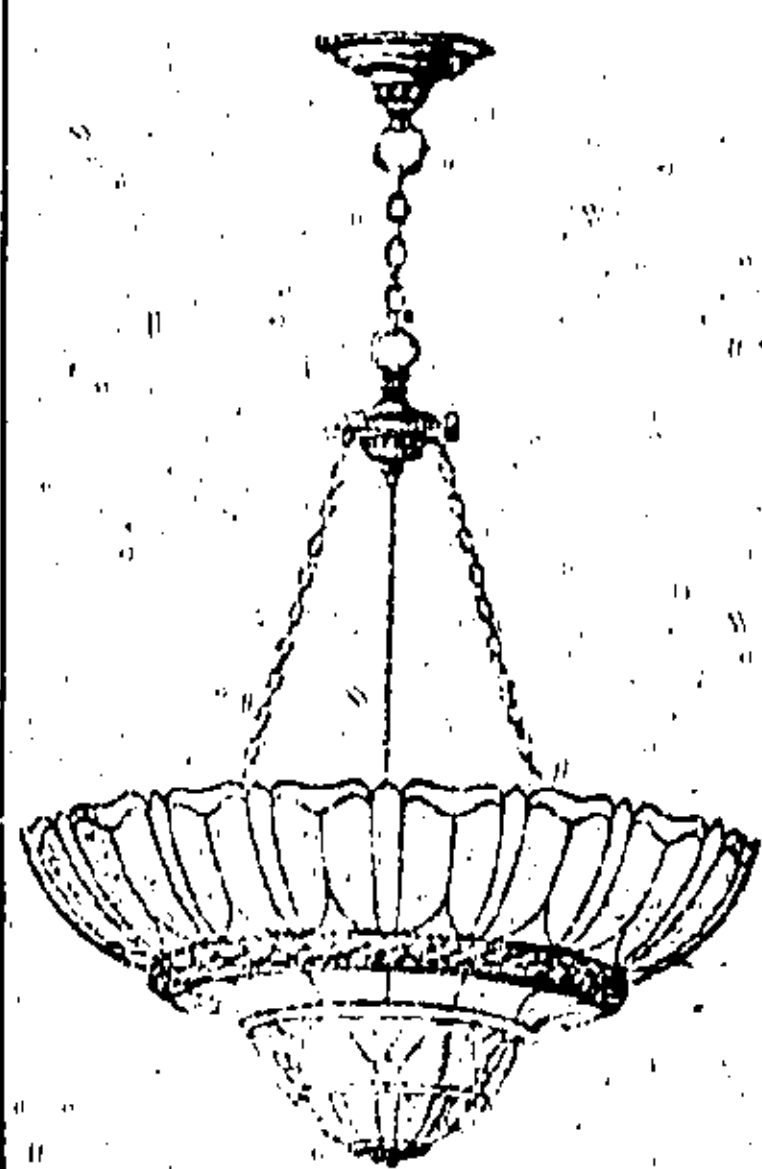
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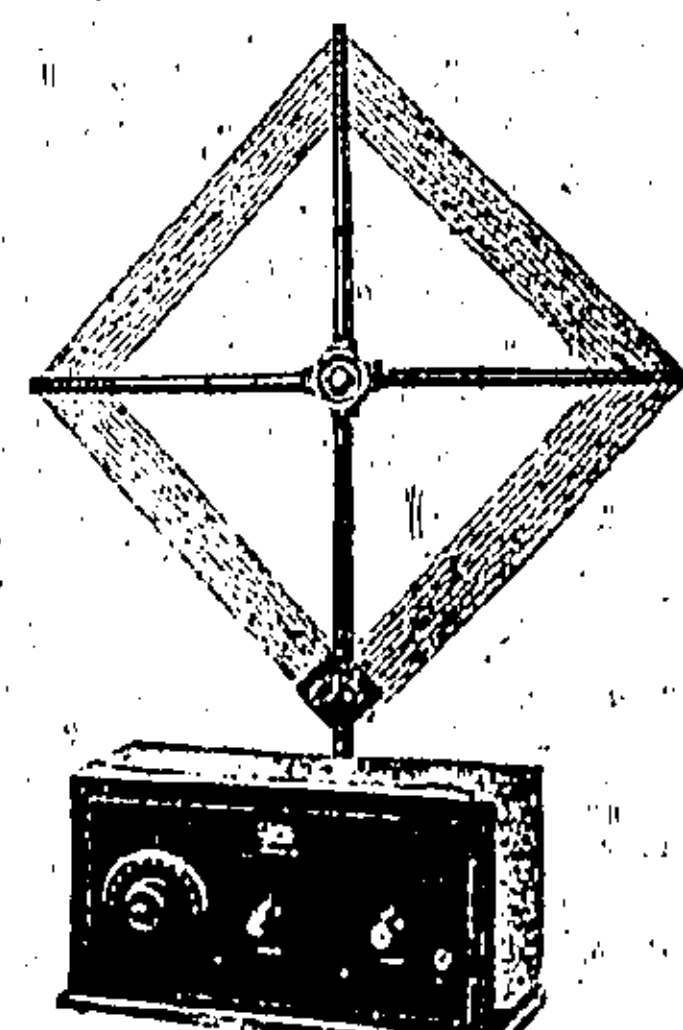
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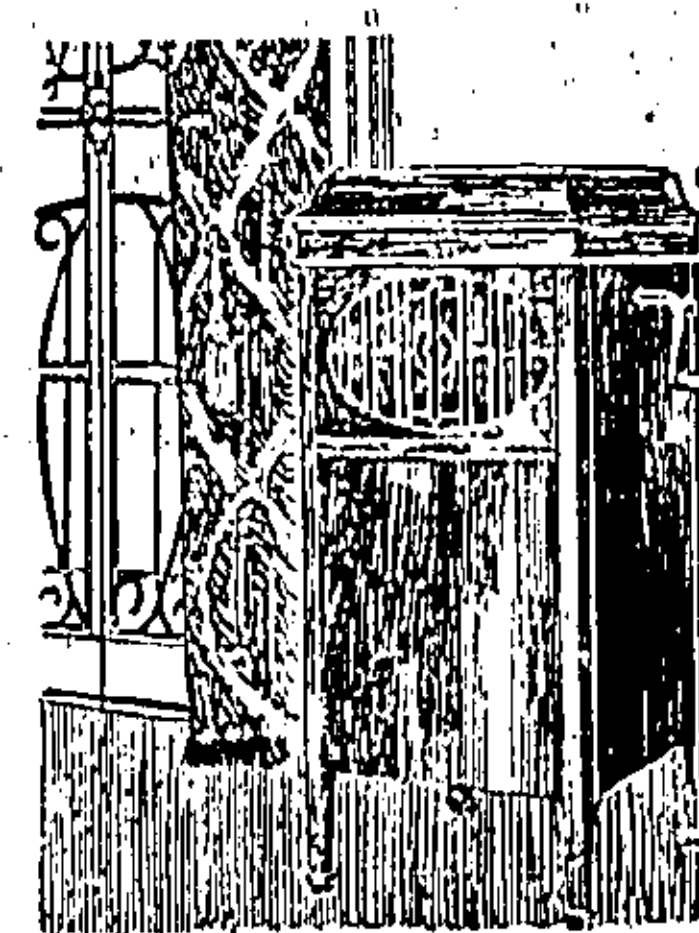
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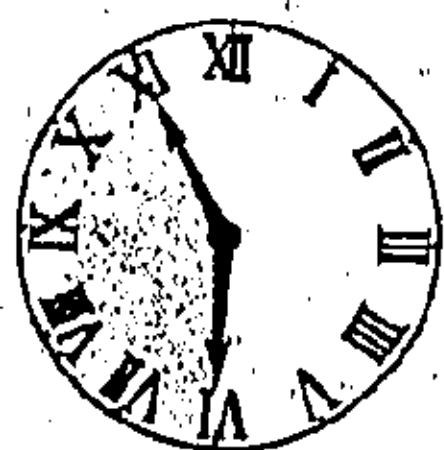
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A lecture will be given at the Helena May Institute on Monday February 9, at 5.30 p.m., by A. H. Crook, Esq., on "The Shakespeare Bacon Controversy." The Lecture is open to the public.

According to the old Chinese calendar, to-day is the Feast of the Lanterns (Shang-yuan-chieh), being the 15th day of the 1st moon. The firecrackers discharged to-day wind up the New Year festivities.

An "Eastern News" despatch reports heavy snow in Japan. In Tokyo the snow was a foot deep at the time of writing. There were heavy falls in Nagoya and Kobe, and telephone wires were down.

An indescribable chaos, according to reports, is reigning amongst the military circles of Peking. Revolvers of foreign manufacture are worth fabulous sums. At first demobilised soldiers sold their revolvers for the ridiculous sum of \$3. A Colt with 25 cartridges sells to-day for \$300, and these are bought by 200 at a time. The attention of the Legations has been directed to this illicit traffic.

Frequent fires occurring in Wuchang on houses covered by fire insurance, policies cause the public organisations of Wuchang to suspect arson in most of the fires. Investigations in many cases have proven that the fires occurred from incendiary sources. The public organisations are taking steps to remedy the dangerous situation.

In connection with the theft of seven sewing machines from the Wai San Knitting Factory, Causeway Bay, one of two Chinese charged before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, was committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions. The other accused was remanded until Monday, bail being allowed in \$750.

An amendment to the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance is published in the Government Gazette.

The silk which left here by the P. & O. s.s. "Macdonia" on January 10 was delivered in Marseilles on February 6, a transit of 27 days.

The London mail of January 8, and parcels of January 1, which arrived per s.s. "Malwa" yesterday consisted of 340 bags of mail matter and 136 bags of parcels.

The Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Company announce that normal working with Shanghai and beyond has been re-established.

St. Margaret's Church, Broadwood Road, has been added to the list of places for the solemnisation of marriages in place of the Church of St. Francis Xavier, Wanchai.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Queen's College Old Boys' Association will take place at Queen's College on Friday, February 13, at 5.30 p.m.

The China Pacific S.S. Co., Ltd., has been struck off the register. At the expiration of three months, the names of the Lee Hong S.S. Co., Ltd., and Fu Lee and Co., Ltd., will also be removed.

It is notified in the Government "Gazette" that until further notice dogs will be destroyed and the remains and bedding, etc., disposed of free of charge at Kennedy Town Slaughter House and Ma Tau Kok Slaughter House.

London, February 6.—Commenting on the China Indemnity Application Bill, the "Financial Times" says the reference to "educational purposes" is because the French and Americans are using their shares of Boxer payments to maintain Chinese students in colleges, thereby preparing powerful emissaries for French and American interests. Reuter.

The latest water mark report from Ichang on the Upper Yangtze is 2' above zero and holding steady. Freight rates are such that steamship companies are making a little money. Cargo is fairly plenty upward bound, but downward cargo has dropped a little.

Fifteen Chinese youths of an average age of 15 were brought before the Mixed Court, Shanghai, recently, when an application was made for their legal custody. The boys had been recruited in Honan for service in Japan, but had been refused entry into Japan as they had no passports. They were ordered to be handed over to the Chinese authorities, with a request that they be returned to their homes.

The China Inland Mission has signalled a new departure by the opening and dedicating of a new Mission Home and offices in the city of Glasgow. After more than thirty years' service, Mr. and Mrs. Graham Brown have, on the grounds of health, felt the need of seeking relief from caring for the Mission's work in Scotland, and Mr. Arthur Taylor has been temporarily appointed as acting-secretary for the whole of Scotland, with the exception of an area in and around Edinburgh, for which Mr. and Mrs. Graham Brown will be responsible.

Missionaries in Changsha, Hunan, are watching with keen interest the current movement of the anti-Christian radicals. In the December missionary monthly meeting, R. K. Veryard read a paper on the Rise of Nationalism in China, in which he emphasized the need of making known to the Chinese that the missionaries had nothing to do with the alleged imperialism of their respective countries. In the January meeting, H. C. Tsao, business manager of the Hunan-Yale Hospital, gave a paper on the Need of Real Christian Teaching. Missionaries in Changsha are gathering opinions from themselves on the present situation.

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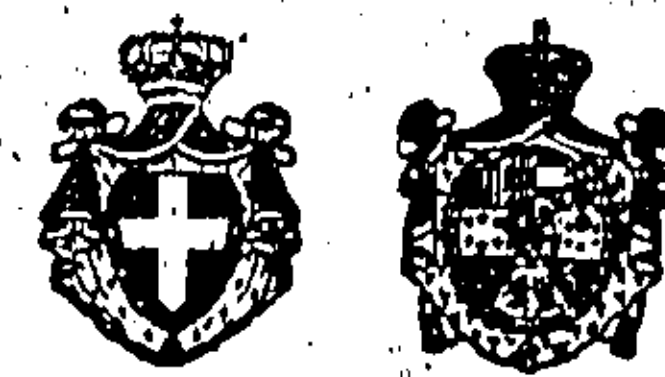
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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. H. Jeramdas, of the firm of Messrs. O. B. Kissoonmall and Co., leaves by the s.s. "Morea" to-day.

Rev. G. H. Hewitt has been appointed chaplain to H.M.S. "Tamar," Hongkong Dockyard and the Royal Naval Hospital.

Among the passengers who departed yesterday by the s.s. "Empress of Russia" were Mr. and Mrs. E. Hayim and Mr. E. D. Bush.

Mr. Peter Tod of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., who was once honorary secretary to St. Andrew's Society, goes on Home leave this morning sailing by the s.s. "Morea."

Baroness Fittinghoff passed through the s.s. "Morea" yesterday en route to Colombo. Archdeacon Moule was a passenger by the same vessel, bound for Marseilles.

Sir Edward Pearce who represented Shanghai in the recent interport yachting races with Hongkong, returned to the North by the "Empress of Russia" yesterday.

A Reuter cable from Miami, Florida, announces the death of Mr. Julius Feischmann, millionaire "yeast king" and philanthropist. Mr. Feischmann dropped dead at the Flamingo polo ground just after he had finished playing the fourth chukker. He was bringing his pony to a halt when he suddenly dismounted and threw up his hands and fell dead.

The following cable in a Shanghai paper of January 27, rather discounts the idea of Sir John Bradbury coming to Hongkong as Governor.—"Sir John Bradbury, British delegate to the Reparation Commission in Paris, left Paris for London last night. There are rumours current in the French capital that he will resign as British delegate to the Reparation Commission to accept an important position in high financial circles in London shortly."

Mr. R. G. MacDonald, who is passing through Hongkong with Mrs. MacDonald for Home by the P. & O. s.s. "Morea," is to make a tour through Morocco while on leave. Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald will leave the "Morea" at Egypt, and while Mrs. MacDonald proceeds Home by way of Italy, Mr. MacDonald will go through Morocco, starting from the Mediterranean coast and concluding his trip at Casablanca. He expects to return to Shanghai about June.

Mrs. H. A. Cartwright is proceeding Home by the s.s. "Morea" to-day.

Mr. A. Samprez, of the French Legation, Bangkok, left recently for Saigon on transfer.

Information has been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies that the King's Exequatur has been issued to Mr. Lynn Winterdale Franklin, Consul for the U.S.A. in Hongkong.

Sir Edward Rhodes, who has extensive shipping interests in the Far East, was a passenger by the s.s. "Malwa" yesterday and is making a short stay in Hongkong before proceeding to Shanghai. He is accompanied by Lady Rhodes.

Mr. Henry Robert Butters has been appointed District Officer, North, during the absence on leave of Mr. E. J. Wynne-Jones. Mr. Butters will also act as Police Magistrate and he has been empowered to hold a small debts court.

Mr. W. Laughton Leask, who has had a long association with the firm of Messrs. Kellogg & Orange, architects and civil engineers, for many years as a partner in the firm, goes Home to-day by the s.s. "Morea." He leaves a large number of friends of whose kindly interest in his future he can feel assured.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Brown leave for Home to-day. Mr. Brown has been in the service of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. for 27 years, for the last twelve years of that period as Secretary of that Company and also of the "Star" Ferry Co. The associated staffs of these Companies during the past week have testified their high esteem for their departing chief by gifts which will form highly treasured mementoes of his long service in the Colony.

Edward Connelly, the veteran screen actor, was painfully injured at the Metro studios in Hollywood when crushed in the arms of a giant ape, "Joe Martin," during the enactment of a scene of Rex Ingram's production, "Trifling Women," now being presented at the Coronet. Barbara La Marr, leading woman in the picture, was knocked aside in the course of the ape's rush for Connelly, but was unharmed. She was very near fainting when Ramon Novarro, also important in the cast, helped her from the set.

The wife of the noted Spanish author, Blasco Ibanez, died at Valencia on January 23. The prosecution against Ibanez has been abandoned in France.

Congressman Chalmers, who was in Manila on a pleasure trip, was the guest of honour at a luncheon given on Thursday week by Speaker Roxas at the Manila Hotel.

Prince Yamagata left Tokyo for Kobe on January 23 where he is embarking in the steamer "Amboise" for Indo-China. The Prince is accompanied by M. Claudel, the French Ambassador in Tokyo, who later is going on furlough to France, as well as by a party of 19 persons, including, inter alia, Foreign Office and other officials and members of the Japan-Indo-China Society.

A double engagement was notified in Peking a few days ago when Monsieur Tripler, the retiring Charge d'Affaires of the French Legation announced his engagement to Mademoiselle de Prat, who has been staying during the past year with Madame Rousse-Lacordaire. Monsieur Pettibug, enlin, manager of the Banque Industrielle, announced his engagement to Madame Desnitsky.

Lord Allenby presented \$5,000 and the silver medal of the Order of the British Empire to Mr. F. H. March, the Australian, who was driving the Sirdar's car at the time of his murder. The ceremony took place at the Residency in the presence of Lady Allenby, three senior staff officers of the British Army in Egypt, the judicial and financial advisers and other officials. Lord Allenby paid a tribute to Mr. March's coolness and courage, and all present drank his health in champagne.

Mauro Mendez, the first Filipino graduate from Columbia University with the degree of bachelor of literature in journalism, arrived in Manila recently after five years' stay abroad, during which time he travelled extensively not only in the United States but also in Germany, France and other European countries. Mr. Mendez is also a graduate of the University of the Philippines and is a holder of the degree of bachelor of arts. He has an extensive experience in journalism, having worked on several newspapers in Manila before his departure for the United States. At present he is a member of the editorial staff of the "Herald."

THE NEWEST COATS for WINTER



BY BARBARA WINSLOW

PHOTOS BY JOEL FEDER

A NOVELTY FABRIC COMBINED WITH FUR

AN ORIGINAL TRIM OF LOOPS OF THE FABRIC

A WIDE HEM LINE THAT MAY BE A PROPHET

A Generous Use of Rich Furs and Fabrics Makes the Mode a Luxurious One—There is An Increasing Use of the Tunic Idea.

For the winter wardrobe, a coat is the first need of a season and one of the most important garments in the wardrobe. This is the result of the vogue of the one-piece dress, and since the tendency is toward the ensemble costume the coat takes on an importance even greater than in former seasons. Before one makes a final choice in the matter of an outer garment that is to be so conspicuous a part of the wardrobe, there are an amazingly large number of things to take into consideration, if one is to finally acquire the most practical, most useful, and at the same time most beautiful wrap for her immediate purpose. There are not so many changes, at first glance, but a close study reveals so very many subtle differences that one is led to believe that coat fashions are very different from those of other seasons.

The New—And Different Fabrics

And Colours. The winter season brings with it radically different fabrics and many rich, new colour tones for those who do not incline to the staple navy blue or black. The newest materials have what is known as a "leather" finish, the general appearance being that of suede, and while satin finished fabrics are, in general, vogue, the lustreless leather finished materials are first choice for coats. There are tullea cloths with a velvet finish and velvets as well, there are many novelty fabrics, plaids especially in favour, and of late there have been broadcloths—a slim silhouette makes them most desirable. Silk—more especially the ribbed weaves—are being used, warmth provided by linings of wool or by interlinings. Linings have taken on unusual importance and kashan cloth—sometimes in plaids—duvety, satin and the familiar crepes are approved.

There are many new colours, among them certain gorgeous, copper and mahogany shades that are very popular, phetised, be extremely popular, especially with the woman who can have a new coat every season. The greens are known as artichoke, Cossack, Lebanon, Coladon and others, the most featured browns are Corona, cinnamon, saddle and penny; and the reds are cranberry and ox-blood. It will be evident to all that colours so varied will result in many really beautiful models, especially in view of the fact that there are many new furs and many new shades of old furs to provide a trimming of beauty and contrast. Never were there such furs, and one can but wonder if the animal that grew them would recognize their colour and their texture, for the dyeing and shearing of furs has become a fine art.

Designers are certainly prodigal with this trimming, for they make use of the preferred skins in many interesting ways. Godets and flounces are a favourite application; narrow bands and wide bands are used; and many coats are edged all the way round with fur. Mink of all sorts; fox and "baby" fox; leopard, chipmunk and seal; and dyeditch, in the flatter and subtle shades are

popular trimming furs. The fur-lined coat has appeared again, but it is not bulky as of yore, the demand for slenderness resulting in the change. These coats make use of the novelty materials and tweeds, as well as the newly popular broadcloth, and they have linings of leopard, civet or nutria. There is, as always, a use for beaver and squirrel in the mode, the latter dyed in the kolinsky, beige and Vlatka shades.

Lines Are, Primarily, Slender.

The fundamental lines of the coat silhouette are, like those of suits and frocks, generally slender, although there is a decided inclination—on the increase, it seems, to the flare at the bottom, this flare achieved by inset gores and circular cuts. Coats are shorter and have what is termed an upward movement, sometimes emphasized by corners rounded in front. The appearance is sometimes achieved by pointed inserts of fur or a treatment kin to it.

Some of the models are double-breasted; others are wrap-around with the side closing; and some of the most unusual and radically different novelties have a side closing under a label effort. The inside vest is a well-liked innovation, and there are both single and double large revers. There is a wide variety in both sleeves and collars, the former either raglan or normal at the shoulder. The familiar type that begins to flare at the elbow and is wide at the wrist has a representation, and the close sleeve that ripples at the wrist is featured. A really new idea is the "barrel" sleeve, that has a puff below the elbow, sometimes with a band of fur above and below. Many of the collars are small, choker type, but that there is wide choice is proven by the models that have Tuxedo collars reaching to the hem of the coat, and there are both shawl and scarf collars—the latter to be expected in view of the popularity of the scarf detail everywhere in fashion. The tunic,

the mode of the moment, appears in coats, sometimes with a fur border at the bottom of the coat and the top falling over it, again it is simulated by narrow bands of fur or other trimmings. Many New Ideas Are Illustrated.

The tendency to fullness at the bottom is well illustrated in a model of striped fabric that combines alternate stripes of corded high sheen silk with rows of tufted mohair in corduroy effect. There is real width at the neckline and no trimming is considered necessary except the cuffs and collar of beaver fur. The side closing has no fastening but must be held together by the wearer. Another novelty fabric employs fur to attain the tunic effect that is so fashionable. It will be noted that the general appearance is of an under-skirt banded with fur and an overdress, also banded with fur, the trimming running up the sides of the tunic. A choker collar and cuffs complete the model, and a button secures the straight line side closing.

A coat of leather finished fabric elects to trim itself, with the exception of the small fur collar, which makes the necessary touch of contrast to the materials. The trimming consists of loops of the frock, set on in irregular rows, four deep, each block headed by a finishing

touch of silk embroidery, also in block effect. The side closing is invisible. Rather more complicated, the fourth model, that makes use of a fold of the material at the bottom instead of a band of the fur, and matches this band or fold on the sleeves. A narrow binding of fur edges the coat, and bands of equal width trim the sleeves. It will be noticed that there is a stripe of a deeper colour inside the fur binding. A really different coat, its differences most attractive and acceptable. Outlining briefly, then, the coats of the coming season will prefer leather finished fabrics, although there will be satin finishes, novelty cloths, broadcloths and silks. Furs will be lavishly used as a trimming. Colours will be rich, with a deal of black and navy blue. Lines will be slender with a tendency to flares at the bottom, belts will be missing, and length will be shortened. Tuxes will be simulated; collars will be choker, scarf, shawl or Tuxedo; and sleeves will flare below the elbow or at the wrist or be "barrel" in the shaping. One can expect novel applications of trimming and of line, for stress is being laid on the separate coat or wrap.

THE CORRECT SILHOUETTE MAY BE.

The Tunic Silhouette.
The Coat Silhouette.
The Redingote Silhouette.
The Directoire Silhouette.
The Full Skirt Silhouette.
The Tube Flare Silhouette.

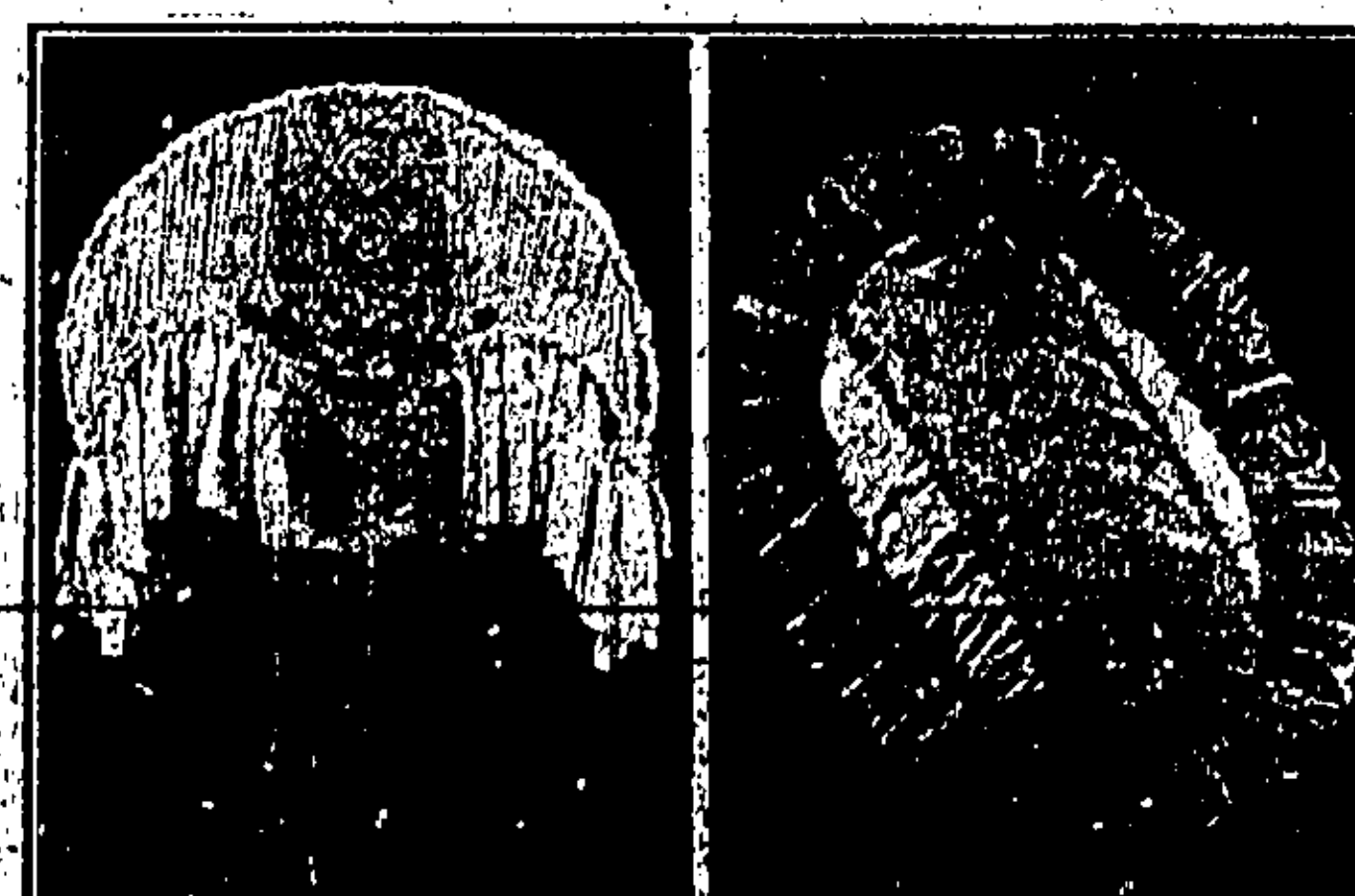
uses for it. There is much to be said in behalf of the gift that has been carefully thought out and as carefully made. If the gift that is to be given must needs be more practical, then there are the really lovely things made of silk and metal lace—the daintily practical things that are assured of a delighted welcome.

The bit of embroidery is the lovelier for an edge of lace; it plays a part in the making of the lamp shade that would be much too expensive to buy.

It is a favourite trimming for the dress frocks of the small girl; it makes beautiful the frothy bits of silk and fine linen that we call "lingerie." And it is one of the most approved fabrics for the dainty shoulder gowns that are fashion. Dress hats find a luxurious trimming, and the metal laces, in combination with furs, usually form a featured part of the millinery mode for winter. Hosiery of the most expensive sort uses it for appliques, and touches of metal lace are used on the coat linings of the most elaborate wraps. Casually review your wardrobe, and admit your debt!

It is not such a far cry—from fashions in household furnishings and accessories, and in the latter, again, we find uses for lace. To be sure we may not all possess the expensive linen that features hand-made lace, but there will be a treasure trove of lace, and the expert needlewoman will find many

it beautifies pillows and is a part of the most exquisite appointments—quite easily made—for the boudoir or the toilet table. One may do much with an edging of real lace—it may be a very narrow edging, if it is real—and a touch of hand embroidery, especially if one plans a gift of lingerie. And a simple blouse can be made a really exquisite thing by the use of lace, dyed to form an effective, needed contrast. There are many possibilities—ours the opportunity.



Holiday Time Will Soon Be With Us. We Must Be Planning Our Gifts.

SILKS AND SATINS.

Two separate vogues in fabrics have been definitely established—the one for ribbed silks, the other for satin, especially the crepe weaves of the latter. These materials are used for frocks, coats and suits, and play an enormous part in the ensemble costume, whatever its makeup may be. There seems to be no choice between the one-piece frock and the tunic blouse, worn over a separate skirt or a costume slip, the blouse-skirt-slip combination usually a part of an ensemble costume.

Paris started the vogue for ribbed silks, and the collection includes faille, ottoman, bengaline and poplin, all four appropriate to the new idea of elegance or to the boyish simplicity that holds over from last season. If Fifth Avenue was a little behind Paris in accepting the new fabrics, it was a hesitation of independence rather than a doubt of their smartness. And now Fifth Avenue offers gowns of bengaline effectively trimmed with fur—badger a favourite; scarf gowns of satin; and frocks that combine crepe satin with one of the ribbed silks.

For the tailored mode there are models of bengaline in coat style, the edges bound with a contrasting colour; and slim the frocks of faille and crepe satin that bespeak the tailored influence. There will be either a frock or a tunic, certainly, of a ribbed silk or of satin in every smart fall wardrobe.

DID YOU KNOW—

THAT the Redingote—an already approved fashion for fall and winter—is particularly becoming to the full-figured woman? It may open over a slip of another colour and material.

THAT the gardenia or citrinda trimming for hats is again being featured? It appears on hats of fur felt and the crown is, usually, high and square. The colour of the felt is black.

THAT plaided furs—made of different pelts—are the latest fur-fashion. They follow, logically, the vogue for plaided felts and wools.

THAT the gate-top, key-lock hand-bag is the newest accessory to the tailor? It is to be had in either silk or leather and in many different shades.

THAT buttons will appear—already are appearing—on everything this fall—frocks, suits, blouses and sweaters. They are of every conceivable colour, fabric and material.

THAT Paris decrees black with a touch of colour in footwear? A new step-in pump has an orange sole concealed by a pert cord and a cut-out border lined with colour.

FINE FABRICS OF THE MODE

Fabrics are the foundation of the mode, and on their charm is built the whole structure of fashion. They change with the season, and their influence has much to do with the manner and the making of a vogue. Every change in styles depends for its success on the new weaves, the new colours—for fabrics owe much to colour—and the revivals of the materials of other days. So it is imperative that we acquaint ourselves with the tendencies and realities of the material's world before we choose our winter wardrobe.

There are two radical changes with the present season—a vogue for satin surfaced weaves has replaced the dull finished materials, and deep-pile fabrics have been supplanted by leather finishes, although there will be dull surfaces in dress materials and lustrous surfaces in coat and wrap fabrics. There is a return to popularity of exquisite corded weaves—the failles and ottomans—most popular, and textures are unusually beautiful. Broadcloth has come back again, and it shows a satin finish; there are a very great many plaids, both in silks and wools; and there are homespun and tweeds and novelty mixtures. Flannel will retain a place of importance in sportswear, and it is to be had in all the loveliest of the new Autumn colourings.

Two fabrics that stage a come-back with welcome regularity are satin and velvet, and you will hear that it is to be a satin or a velvet season, as the case may be. The velvets that fashion is using are very supple, very lovely, and it would be a pity to keep them from the mode. They share popularity with the ribbed silks and corded weaves that are a note of importance. Metal silks and laces, chiffons and Georgettes—beaded, more often than not—and velvet are the evening fabrics. This must be said, that while new fabrics come and old fabrics go, the crepes—Georgette especially—are always good. Their stock may fluctuate, from season to season, but it is only a point or two, and there is never a time when they are not a good "buy."

In general, both fabrics and trimmings incline to richness, both of weave and colour, and designs are exotic, as opposed to the seeming simplicity of

the mode. Tassels, bendings, fine embroideries, fringes, chenille ornaments and coloured kid all add their beauty and individuality to the fabrics they trim, and tinselled threads in both embroidery and braids are effective. There is no more really decorative trimming than applique, and the pictured model illustrates the tendency to luxury, tempered by a restrained simplicity. The costume suit is of velvet and its lines are straight. There is nothing unusual about the coat dress or the hip-length jacket with its very usual sleeves, but the applique of white kid transforms it into a most distinctive model. It has the effect of lace and is matched by the fur collar, which is fur only on the inside. An ornament of fringe marks the closing.



Fashion Enlists The Aid of Fur And Leather On A Suit Of Rich Velvet.

WORLD OF SPORT.

FOOTBALL

SOME PERSONALITIES.

There are plenty of goal-keepers who started their football careers in other positions on the field—Sam Hardy was a centre-forward and Howard Baker a half-back, by way of example. But James Broad, just transferred to Everton, is the only modern case I recall of a player starting his professional career as a goalkeeper and afterwards becoming a centre-forward of repute. But in other times he stood between the posts until on a day when the centre-forward did not turn up he was given the job in a desperate emergency. He has scored goals instead of stopping them ever since.

J. Galloway, the centre-forward that Notts Forest have obtained from Derby County, comes of a well-known York Rugby family. His relatives were great forwards when Yorkshires provided most of the England pack. Galloway was for some time a conductor on a Sunderland tram, and first attracted the attention of the professional managers when playing for the tramway team.

Whoever heard of a boy of 12 years being a professional footballer? Incredible though it may seem, Alfred Saxby, Chesterfield's popular rightback, actually signed his first professional form when he was only that age. He was playing with a junior club named Bolsover St. Mary's when a zealous, but misguided enthusiast persuaded him to sign a professional form, and it required a good deal of correspondence on the part of his father to get the form cancelled. Saxby, by the way, is in business as a publican, as are Roberts (Manchester City), Hardy (Notts Forest), Pagnam (Watford), Fazackerley (Wolves), Storer (Hartlepool United), and others.

Carl Hansen, the unfortunate centre-forward of the Glasgow Rangers, now at his home in Denmark nursing a fractured leg, was the subject of grave suspicion by Birch, the trainer of Britain's Olympic team, at Stockholm in 1912. Birch said to some of the team: "I think Hansen is a Scot, not a Dane." When asked why he thought that, Birch replied: "I have just asked him for a match, and he would not answer me."

Those most closely associated with Northern Section football say that Darlington's ascent to the Second Division at the end of this season is a tolerable certainty. The "Quakers," on whose behalf Manager Jack English, once a Sheffield United full-back, has worked wonders in team-building, impress experienced judges as the best-balanced side in the section. One of the stalwarts of the side is George Malcolm, probably the oldest half-back in this division of the League. He saw service with Fulham many years before the war, and later ran his trials successfully with Plymouth Argyle and Middlesbrough.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

CROWD'S BAD BEHAVIOUR.

The writers in the sporting columns of the Paris Press practically unanimously condemn the hostility of the crowd towards the visiting team and especially towards the Scottish referee in the France-Ireland

CRICKET

VICTORIA V. M.C.C. AT MELBOURNE.

HEARNE'S CENTURY.

(Reuter's Service.)

Melbourne, February 6. A match between Victoria and the M.C.C. opened to-day in fine weather before 3,000 people. The M.C.C. batted first, and at close of play for the day had scored 295 runs for two wickets. Sutcliffe scored 88 and Hearne (unfinished) 121.

MR. JOEL'S XI.

FOURTH UNOFFICIAL TEST.

(Reuter's Service.)

Johannesburg, February 6. The fourth unofficial test match between South Africa and Mr. "Solly" Joel's Eleven, opened to-day in fine weather before a fairly large attendance. The wicket was good.

Mr. Joel's XI scored 239 runs in their first innings, of which Russell made 80 and Jameson (unfinished) 53.

South Africa had scored 27 runs for no wickets when stumps were drawn.

TRIBUTE TO SUTCLIFFE.

Newspapers just out from London pay remarkable tributes to the prowess of Herbert Sutcliffe, the Yorkshire cricketer who owes undying fame for himself and in but slightly less degree, his team and his country, by his astonishing display in the second test match at Melbourne. To understand these enthusiastic outbursts (including a highly laudatory column editorial in the "Daily Express") it is only necessary to glance at the figures—or as they call it in baseball "the box score"—of his historic match.

During this match Sutcliffe matched his skill and wits with Australia's best bowlers for thirteen and a half hours, and scored 313 of the 769 runs marked up by his team. In the whole of the match which was spread over six days, he was off the field only sixty-seven minutes. As no other Englishman had ever done before in a test match, he scored two centuries in one game, and as he had already scored one in the first test at Sydney he now holds the record of three successive centuries in test cricket—a distinction that very likely will stand as unique for many years.

Sutcliffe made his entry in International cricket last year, when the South Africans were in England. At that time he compiled scores of 64, 122, 83, 29 not out and 5. At Sydney he started with 59 and then scored, in succession, 115, 176 and 127, giving him a grand average for all of his International matches of 97.50. No wonder England has gone wild over him, ejaculates the "China Press."

It is recalled that similar unfriendly demonstrations marked the Franco-American Olympic rugby match last summer, and it is feared that repetitions of such unsportsmanlike behaviour by a section of the spectators, clearly ignorant of the rules of Rugby football, may deter foreign teams from visiting France in future.

The "Echo Sport" says the referee, Mr. Macgill, refereed with relentless severity, but the severity was not one-sided.

The French team were penalised more frequently than their opponents because they had acquired bad habits owing to insufficient strictness of many French referees.

LAWN TENNIS

CHINESE CHAMPIONSHIPS.

INTER-CITY JAMES ARRANGED.

Lawn tennis has been adopted by Chinese people to the extent that one can say that it has now become fully indigenous to the country. To such an extent in fact that much of the equipment required for the game is now manufactured in Shanghai. No game is more popular.

Further to develop the game and the standard of play as well as to enable China successfully to compete in Far Eastern, International and Davis Cup competitions, a few definite things are now necessary. Among them the two most important are: (1) more varied competition; and (2) national organization for the further promotion and control of tennis by tennis enthusiasts.

To accomplish these two ends the Far Eastern Contest Committee which is developing the Chinese National athletic grounds in the French Concession, at the suggestion and request of the Chinese Recreation Club of Hongkong, has agreed to arrange for the holding of the First Inter-City Chinese Tennis Championships. To do this the Far Eastern Contest Committee proposes to hurry the completion of its tennis courts so that these matches may be played there during the tennis season of 1925. Tentative dates for this event have been set for the first week in August.

Invitations are now being sent to the representative clubs or leaders of tennis in the most important cities of China outlining the plan and urging them to participate. There is every reason to believe that a hearty response will come from this invitation. If such results both objectives will be accomplished, for some good competition will follow and the men who come will be asked to be given power to represent their club or city in the formation of a National Tennis Association for China.

The general outline of the competition is as follows, and was submitted by the Chinese Recreation Club of Hongkong:

1. Play—Davis Cup plan, i.e., 4 singles (only 2 players take part); 1 doubles.
2. Place—Shanghai (for the first inter-city).
3. Team—City by city, i.e., Tientsin, Peking, Shanghai, Hongkong, etc. Each place is a unit by itself. Hope to get players from Singapore.
4. Time—The completion of the Chinese Stadium.
5. Expenses—Travelling expenses to be borne by each place that sends the team. Shanghai (or in whatever city the matches take place) will entertain the teams, i.e., board and lodge them.
6. Balls—Slazengers.
7. Courts—Lawn (if in Shanghai or Hongkong), dirt (if in Tientsin or Peking).
8. Gate Money—Gate money should be charged. Disposal to be decided later.
9. Formation of Chinese Lawn Tennis Association with a view to taking part officially in the Davis Cup Tournament.

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